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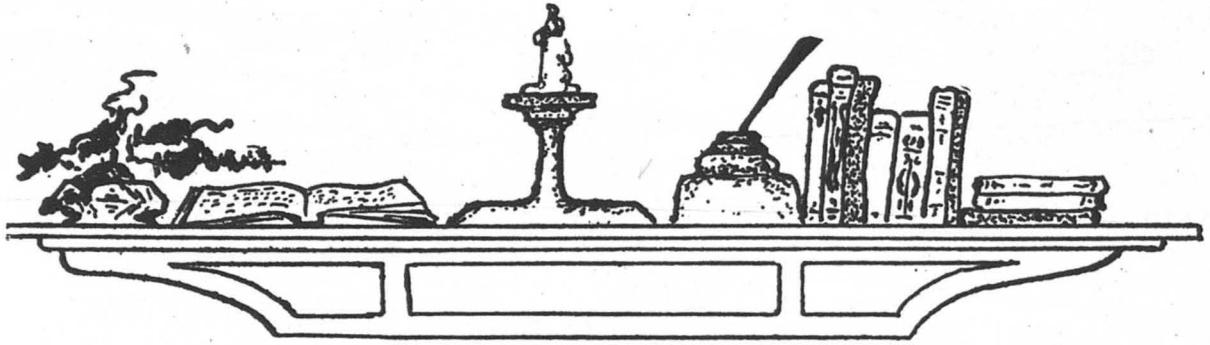
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EDITORIAL

Our next issue will see one of the leading events of the year well under way. The local Oratorical Contest in which our representative for the State Inter-Normal is to be chosen will be held in the latter part of February.

Before we can look to our Local Contest, however, we should have our interests aroused and given an impetus that could not even justly cease at the State Contest, but extend to the Inter-State Contest.

Our school has the honor this year of having the President of the State Inter-Normal League. Up to the present time the officers of the Local Association have not been chosen.

Stevens Point Normal will be the place of the State Contest next year; and it is up to the students to boost, and boost hard, and show the other Normals that we are both worthy in holding the contest, and in winning it.

Up to the present time not very many students have signified their intentions of entering the contest. It is not quantity, however, but quality we are looking for.

Among those who will enter the contest there are Mildred Kelsey, Alma Stenger,

Ruth Hetzel, Sidney Murat, Henry Shellhouse, and Myron Williams.

The State Contest will be held this year at Platteville. The winner at the State Contest will represent the State at the Seventeenth Annual Contest of the Inter-State League of State Normal Schools which will be held May third at Emporia, Kansas.

The Normal has been exceptionally fortunate in having an exceedingly good Basketball team to represent them. We cannot but help admire the persistence of the fellows in their practice and games. But is material the only necessity for a successful team? School spirit is an important factor in every game. We are rather ashamed when we speak of the spirit expressed at the games.

We will admit that spirit was highly enough aroused at one of the games to be expressed in giving the school yell. Judging from observation we can safely say that three-fourths of the students do not even know the school yell. You cannot expect the team to do their best with no better support. **Wake up!** and let them know you're not a dead one. If you can't wake up, dream about it, and if possible think about it.



INTERVIEWS

Well Rewarded.

Jerome Dinwiddie sat in his office smoking a cigar, while he was impatiently waiting for his private secretary's return. Every few moments he took out his watch to see how much longer he would be obliged to wait. It was important that his private secretary, Dennis Hall, should return to take his employer's place, while the latter would meet an important engagement at three o'clock that afternoon.

As Mr. Dinwiddie's secretary appeared before him, the old gentleman brought his feet down from the desk with a stamp, reached for his cane and hat, and looked at the face before him.

"Give me the bonds, please, Dennis Hall. I need them immediately. I have an opportunity to sell them for Ten Thousand; while to-morrow, they will probably not be worth the paper they are written on.

"I do not know where they are, sir. I looked for them this morning, and being unable to find them, I assumed that you had taken them from the safe and placed them in one of your drawers."

"Keep still, you ——. Why did I order you to put them in the safe if they are here."

"Sir, I searched everything thoroughly in this office, and I could not find them. I wonder whether——"

"No wondering about this affair. Blame you, I gave you those papers yesterday, and you failed to take proper care of them. You

placed them in my private box in the vault, and returned the key. Now give me those papers immediately, or I'll——

"That's an impossibility, Mr. Dinwiddie," said the secretary in an excited voice."

"Well, suppose you follow me to the vault and show me where you placed them."

The old man hurriedly opened the door of the safe and unlocked his private box. He ran over the papers contained in it.

"What in the world did you do with those cursed papers?"

"I don't know where they are, sir. As I told you before, I thought perhaps you had taken them out and forgot to put them back."

"By God! That's a lie. Did I ever do anything like that? Dennis Hall, you are the rascal that removed those papers."

"Goodness sake! Those papers worth such a price to-day, and that rascal not able to find them," repeated Mr. Dinwiddie, as he paced his office floor.

"Please call up Danielson & Stubbs, and tell the latter that I can not meet that engagement with them. I shall see them later. Now what do you think about it, Hall, this is the fourth time such a thing has happened in several weeks. I could not sell the bonds at the best opportunity. (This must never happen again.) Whom do you blame for this?"

"Well, I haven't fixed any blame yet."

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"You haven't, eh? Well, I have," roared the old man, fixing his eyes on Hall.

"You have?" asked Hall nervously.

"I certainly have, and I shall have it investigated before three o'clock this afternoon. By gosh! this is the most poorly managed office in Chicago, and you are the most unreliable secretary I ever heard of. Do you understand?"

"I do."

"Do you wear plasters Mr. Hall?" asked his employer.

The secretary stared at Mr. Dinwiddie, being surprised at this personal question fired so suddenly from his employer's lips,

"Well, yes, I do, sometimes."

"Have you one now?" snid Mr. Dinwiddie.

"I have," said the secretary, blushing.

"Now I am sorry for the necessity of speaking to you in this manner. You have been in my employ for five years, and I always found you faithful and trustworthy. But this office has no system, and I can never find things when I want them, as you can see for yourself. Do you understand?"

"Yes, sir," answered Mr. Hall sadly.

"Now you have admitted that you wear a plaster. How do I know that the papers are not concealed within it?"

"Oh, I would never do such a thing, Mr. Dinwiddie."

"How do you know that you would not do it?"

"Mr. Dinwiddie, how dare you accuse me of any such crime? Have I ever proved unworthy of your trust?"

"Well, who took them, if you did not? Did you tell anybody about those bonds?"

"No, sir, I did not tell a single soul. Only you and I know about the papers."

"Are any of the other securities missing?"

"Everything else is in its place. You know, Mr. Dinwiddie, that whenever any of the papers were lost, they were always found to have been displaced by you or Mr. Simpson."

"Keep still, you liar! That's a down right lie. Those bonds bore a date stamp made with purple ink. How do you happen to have purple ink on your hands?"

"Why, I assisted Miss Dartmouth in adjusting her type-writer. Before I had time to remove those stains, you called me in."

"That wasn't any of your business, sir. I do not want to see you at any work like that again. That is the office boy's duty; and not my secretary's. By the way, I do not intend to have any more courting in my offices," said the old man, looking sternly in Mr. Hall's eyes.

He called Miss Dartmouth to his desk, and she approached him, opening her note book.

"Sit down, Miss Dartmouth. It is not dictation this time. Do you know anything about the where-abouts of the E. R. R. bonds? I had them put away in my private box, yesterday, and they disappeared."

"Why, to be sure, Mr. Dinwiddie. I brought them to you from the box this morning. You were reading when I came. You put the bonds in the book when you commenced dictation."

They looked thru a book which lay before Mr. Dinwiddie on the desk, and found the papers. He thanked Miss Dartmouth, and she left the room immediately. Mr. Dinwiddie reached for his hat and cane as if he were preparing to leave. Then he took up the telephone receiver and paused for a moment.

"By the way, Hall," said his employer. "if you will be married, you need more money, don't you?"

"I haven't thought about it yet, Mr. Dinwiddie," said the secretary.

"Just tell the cashier to add another Hundred to your salary, and it will be O. K.

Hello, Central! Give me 439 white.

Is that Danielson & Stubbs? Well, Stubbs, how about the E. R. R.?"

Dennis Hall left the office and stopped in the outer office where Miss Dartmouth sat before her type-writer, with a blank sheet of paper before her. He leaned over and whispered, Rosalind, Mr. Dinwiddie raised me another Hundred. I can surely take care of

you now. Will you marry me?"

Rosalind's fingers rapped on the buttons several times, and on the blank sheet there appeared the following words:

"I will marry you soon!"

MILLY.

The Minister's Wife's Extravagance.

The Dorcas Sewing Society of Rosedale, was holding its monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Josh Stebbins. Most of the members were there; and those who were not there were trembling for their reputations, for no one escaped the sharp tongues of the ladies. It was a race between tongues and needles at the society. Just now the minister's wife, who was not there, of course, was the subject of conversation.

"What do you think that the minister's wife has done?" burst from the lips of Mrs. Newsome.

Immediately all tongues stopped wagging, and all eyes were fixed on her; for such a fruitful subject as the minister's wife was not to be ignored.

"Oh, I suppose that she is up to some more of her foolish doings," said Jane Adams secretary of the society.

"I just knew that the minister had made a big mistake when he married such a young woman. He should have known better. He will be sorry," came from the hostess, whose marriageable daughter had tried to captivate the minister.

"Well, I guess that he is already," said Mrs. Newsome, with an air of knowing a great secret, "What do you think that she has done?" she demanded again.

"Do tell us!" came in a chorus; for curiosity was now fully aroused.

"She has bought a new silk dress, and it came all the way from New York. Jim Brown the Express man, told me so,"

"I don't see how she can afford such a thing on the salary that he gets. Five Hundred Dollars won't buy many silk dresses by the time it has got the victuals needed to keep a family for one year. I don't see how she does it," broke in Mrs. Rider.

"She just bought a new hat, too. Mrs. Allen, the milliner, told me so, and it cost five dollars. My, isn't it awful, the extravagance of some folks?"

"We will have to be collecting food and clothes for them soon, if things keep on at this rate," was heard from another woman.

So the talk went on, each one speculating as to the color, style, and length of the new dress.

"Suppose she will have it as short as the law allows. She's too giddy for a minister's wife," ventured the hostess again.

Just then a knock was heard at the door, and at once all talk ceased. Mrs. Stebbins opened the door, and with "How-do-you-do? So glad you could come," ushered in Mrs. Raymond, the minister's wife, wearing the much discussed hat and gown.

"I'm so glad to see you all," said Mrs. Raymond, in her charming manner. "I knew that you would like to see my new dress. It was a birth-day gift from my brother in New York, and I just could not resist the temptation of wearing it this afternoon. I think it's a beauty, don't you?"

They all had to confess that it certainly was, and complimented her upon receiving such a fine present.

"And that was not all," she continued, "the rest of the gift he sent me was a check, and as my old hat looked too shabby to wear with my dress, I simply had to get a new one. Isn't my brother the dearest one, though? I know that you all think that I'm giddy and frivolous; but a person is young only once." (some of the maiden ladies winced,) "and so I just can't help but be glad I didn't spend all my money, and I'm going to put the rest in the Missionary Box to make someone else glad too," and as she said it, she put a crisp Five Dollar bill in the box. Fortunately, she did not see the hurried glances passed among the other members.

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Mary's Homecoming.

"Just to think, father, that our Mary will be here to night. It is to good to be true!"

Before the cheery fire sat a husband and wife, whose appearance showed that they and hard work had not been strangers.

The father's hair showed tinges of gray among the brown. His hands were roughened with work and kindly blue eyes look out from beneath his heavy lashes and a manly brow was straight and sturdy, a typical son of Nature, and one surely on good terms with her, for age had made but few changes in him.

With chair drawn close to his, sat his wife, a small body with a kind, motherly face, her soft chestnut hair was done up loosely, the curls clinging around her forehead. From the faces of both husband and wife seemed to radiate the joy of anticipation of some happy event.

Suddenly both pair of eyes met and the father in a subdued voice expressed the secret thought of each when he said, "I wonder if she will be just the same Mary that she was when she left us. Wasn't she a comfort though, mother! How all the animals missed her! Don't you remember how the spotted calf would follow her around? What if that college has spoiled her so that she won't care for the home things any more?"

"Indeed, husband, I've thought of those things over and over again when I've been at my work. You don't know how I've missed her. There wasn't a sweeter, better girl in all the neighborhood. Everyone seemed to miss her for they have always been asking about her since she has been gone." A proud gleam came into the mother's eyes as she spoke.

The farmer glanced at the clock. "It's about time to hitch up Queen and Dinah isn't it wife? I would not want to miss the train when our little girl is coming home."

"Yes, it is time, and I'll get the little foot stove ready while you are hitching up," and the wife hurried away.

In a very short time Mr. Burns drove up to the door to get the foot stove and hear his wife's cheery "good-bye."

"Bring our little girl safely home," she called after him as the blacks drew him swiftly away.

The 5:30 train came rushing into the station, the engine pouring big puffs of smoke into the frosty air. As it stopped, there jumped from the steps in a eager haste a tall, black haired girl. Her furs were wrapped closely about her and her merry face peeped out from under her hat, and the wind blowing the hair about the face.

As she saw her father waiting for her, a glad cry burst from her lips and she ran to meet him,

"Oh how glad I am to see you," she cried and, "why didn't mother come too?"—all coming in one breath.

Not a word about her college was spoken during the ride homeward, but Mr. Burns was kept busy answering Mary's eager about the farm, the animals and everything else she could think of.

Has the spotted calf grown much? Will she know me, father, do you think?" and "How are the kittens? I suppose that they are real large now. They were so cunning when I left."

At last home was reached and Mary's mother was standing in the doorway found herself clasped in a pair of strong, young arms almost before she knew it,

What a joyful home-coming it was and how happy they all were.

After Mary had gone to her room upstairs, the parents sat before the fire for a long time, each one silent. Then the mother said softly, "Father she is just the same Mary, isn't she?"

And in their hearts both breathed a prayer of thankfulness.



FORUM ARENA

The Annual Inter-Society Contest was held Friday, December 16, before a large and inspiring audience. Each number of the program was rendered in the very best manner of which each contestant was capable, going to make up altogether an excellent production.

The result of the Contest was a decision of 5-2 in favor of the Forum-Arena Society.

FORUM-ARENA.	ATHENAEUM-OHIYESA
Oration. 0	Oration. 3
Essay. 2	Essay. 1
Recitation. 2	Recitation. 1
Vocal Music. 3	Vocal Music. 0
Instrumental Music. 1	Instrumental music. 2
Debate. 2	Debate. 1
Total...10	Total...8

The enthusiasm evidenced by the two Societies was very gratifying, indeed; and it is hoped that the contests will continue to prove to be as successful,

The officers for the Third Quarter were elected at a special meeting of the society on December 21, with the following results:

- President.....Nettie Welch
- Vice President...Delia Meyers
- Secretary.....Paul Schannon
- TreasurerAdelaide Williams

The foregoing set of officers is an excellent one, and the members of the society are earnestly enjoined to show a little more society spirit and desire for co-operation than was manifested during the past quarter.

The Third Quarter is the one unbroken Ten Weeks of the year, during which the society should be enabled to hold ten strong meetings; and it is the desire of the Program Committee to have a special series of Programs taking up a particular line of work.

The Forum-Arena is due to present the Second Quarterly Public Program, and the members of the committee, and those who are to appear on the program, are already busily at work preparing for it. The program will be given on the last Friday of the quarter, January 19.

The Reception to be tendered by the Athenaeum-Ohiyesa Society to the Faculty and the rest of the school, was postponed from the Friday immediately after the Holidays until a later date; owing to the fact of insufficient time to prepare.



ATHENAEUM OHYESA

December 15th The Date.
 Inter-Society Contest... The Event.
 Forum-Arena vs.
 Athenaeum-Ohiyesa... The Societies.

December 15th, the date of the First Annual Inter-Society Contest, will be long remembered by the members of the Athenaeum-Ohiyesa.

The contestants had been elected in October, and from the time of their election until the time of the contest, had worked untiringly upon their parts. Every effort was made to win their numbers for the Athenaeum-Ohiyesa. As the time for the contest drew near interest ran high. Songs were written by the members, yells were prepared, and every member willingly responded to calls for practice. The enthusiasm shown by the members was a great incentive to the contestants to do their best.

At last the long looked for night came, and large numbers from both societies were present to support their contestants. The Athenaeum-Ohiyesa will always have reason to be proud of the spirit of loyalty and enthusiasm manifested that night.

When the last number had been rendered, every one waited eagerly for the decision of the judges.

The Form-Arena was given the victory by winning 5 out of a possible 7 points.

The decision was disappointing; but the spirit to go in and win is not dead with this first defeat. One of the loyal members

voiced the feeling of the society when he responded "not yet" to the victors greeting of "licked."

On December 8th, a very interesting Dickens Program was rendered. It consisted of:

Piano Solo Hilda Kaiserman
 Essay: "Dickens The Man" ... May Tibbets
 Book Report: "Tale of Two Cities."
 Mildred Alexander
 Essay: Martha Johnson
 "Character and Development of Sydney."

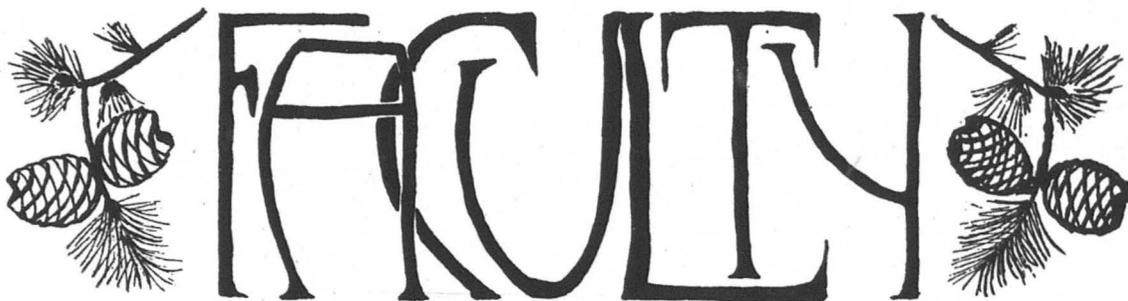
The second part of the Program consisted of a dramatization of a scene from "Christmas Carols." This was given by the students of the Sub-Freshmen Class.

In the business meeting that followed, red and white were chosen for the society colors. The officers for the Third Quarter were elected on December 18th. The result was as follows:

President Otto Schreiner
 Vice President Eliza Montgomery
 Secretary Elizabeth McGoorty
 Treasurer Norman Knutzen
 Miss Burce has been chosen Faculty advisor

Society Yell.

U-rah-rah—Athenaeum!
 U-rah-rah—Athenaeum!
 U-rah-rah—Ohiyesa!
 U-rah-rah—Ohiyesa!
 Athenaeum-Ohiyesa!
 Rah! Rah! Rah!



FACULTY

Among the new school books published during the past year is an Algebra by Professor JOSEPH V. COLLINS of the Stevens Point Normal.

For some time the Secondary Schools have advocated the plan of dividing the Algebra work, giving an Elementary Course in the First Year of the High School, followed by Plane Geometry in the Second Year; and this in turn followed by more advanced work in Algebra. This new book is a judiciously planned text to supply material for this Second Study of the subject.

Among the strong features of this text are: First, A comparatively brief yet thorough review of the previous work. Since the student has been away from Algebra for a year, this review becomes advisable, if not absolutely necessary.

Second, The idea of co-ordinating Algebra with other subjects of study is made an especially strong feature of this book. The Algebra involved in the familiar geometric demonstrations is considered. The relation of Algebra to the Interest Problem of Arithmetic, the Physics Formulæ, and to such affairs of business activity as are possible, is made a strong feature of the selected material for consideration. The student is constantly urged to see Algebra in not only school studies, but also in the every day affairs of life.

Third, Not only has the theory of the graph been clearly presented, but here also, its use has been made more practical than in many other discussions in the past.

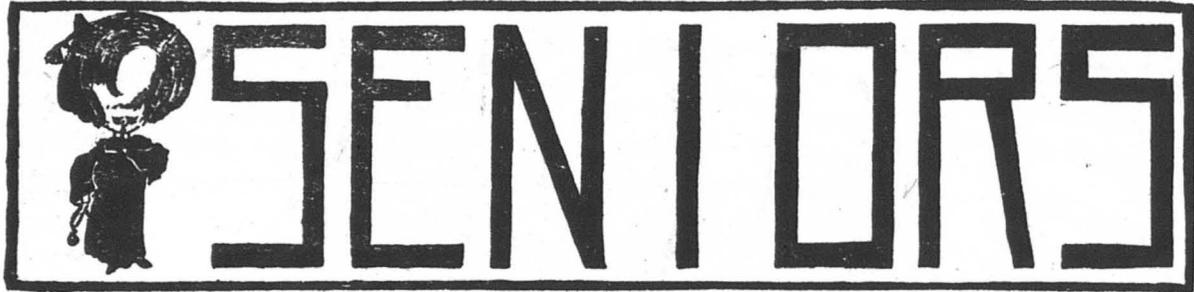
With a view to making the book more attractive two features not commonly given in texts of Mathematics are added; viz, the historical discussion of some processes, and the pictures of a few of the men who have aided in founding the subject of Algebra or parts of it.

The approval of the text by many of the best teachers of Algebra as to its early adoption in many large High Schools goes to prove that the superior merits of the text are being readily recognized.

MR. H. S. HIPPENSTEEL.

Principal A. J. HERRICK, of Cumberland, Wisconsin, has been selected as teacher of Physics and Agriculture, in place of Professor W. F. LUSK, who resigned some time ago. Mr. Herrick graduated from this Normal in 1902. And from here taught in the High School at Whitehall for five years,

He graduated from the University in 1909. And while there received the Phi Beta Kappa key on account of his excellent work. He specialized in the Sciences, Physics, and Agriculture. He will prove to be a valuable addition to the Faculty, and to the Students; and we gladly welcome him and his wife into our midst.



SENIORS

Great praise must be given to Professor and Mistress Hyer as host and hostess. They entertained the Seniors, who were unable to go home for their Thanksgiving dinner. The six Seniors report that they were entertained so royally that they forgot that they were not at home.

The Seniors wish to take this opportunity to show their appreciation for the **Junior Calendar**. It shows careful and artistic planning, and is one of the best Calendars ever gotten out by a Junior Class. The cover design is especially new and attractive. By having the picture of the main building, and the school song, in the Calendar, it makes it more priceless after our school career at Stevens Point Normal is ended.

The Senior Farce, given December 15, was a great success. Every participant showed great talent in that art, and the audience showed their appreciation by their many peals of laughter. It was also a financial success, the receipts being \$26.50.

The first **Rhetorical Program** was given Friday, January 5, under the able supervision of Professor Cavins. The program was as follows:

"Rise of the Normal Schools in America." Minnie Moore
 "The Establishment of the Stevens Point Normal School" Gertrude Maas
 "The Athletics" Raymond Birdsall
 "Societies and School Enterprises" Martha Johnson
 School Song Entire School

Program.

Vocal Solo: "Sing On," *Denza*
 JESSIE HILL.

Debate.

RESOLVED, That the Dissolution of the Large Trusts endangers the best Economic Interests of the United States.

AFFIRMATIVE	NEGATIVE
Athenaeum-Ohiyesa	Forum-Arena
Henry Schellhouse,	Irene Feely,
Nell Kratz.	Henry Schulz.

Instrumental Music.

Forum Arena:
 Piano Solo: "September Morn." *Peter Steele*
 BESSIE SMITH.

Athenaeum-Ohiyesa:
 Violin Solo: "Sarabande." *Bohn*
 HENRIETTA BERGHOLTE.

Essay,

Athenaeum-Ohiyesa:
 The Solution of the Irish Problem.
 MARY CARROLL.

Forum-Arena:
 The Duty and the Opportunity of the Schools in the Peace Movement.
 FLORENCE SHAFER.

Recitation,

Forum-Arena: The Little Gallant Dickie.
 FRANCIS ROBERTS.

Athenaeum-Ohiyesa:
 The Lion and the Mouse..... RUTH HETZEL

Vocal Music.

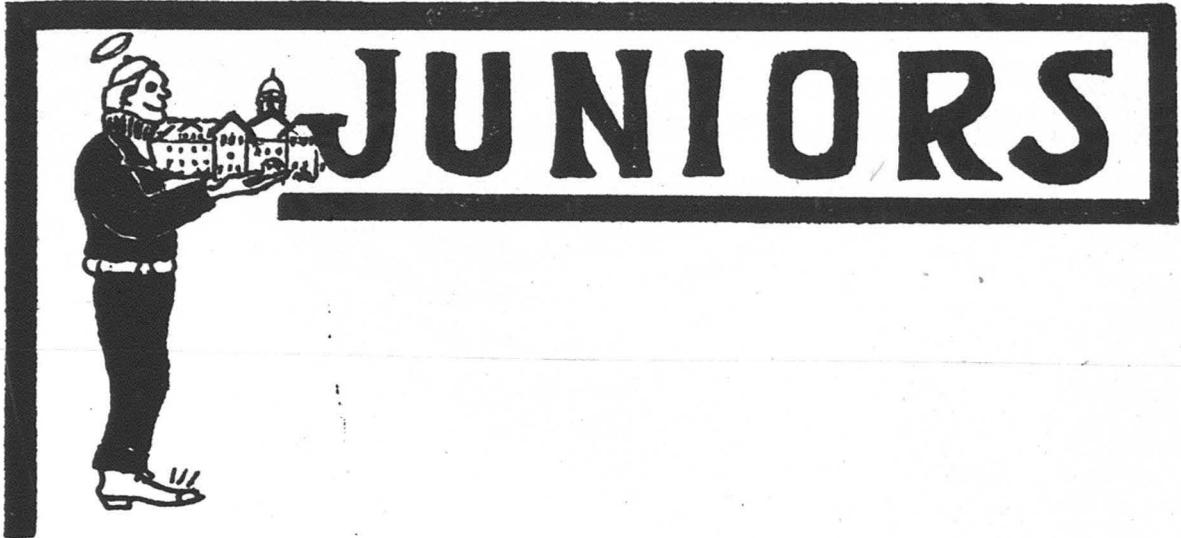
Athenaeum-Ohiyesa: "Sing Me to Sleep."
 LILA BLANK.

Forum-Arena: "My Dreams." *Tosti*
 MAE O'MALLEY.

Oration.

Forum-Arena: The New China.
 R. B. WOODWORTH.

Athenaeum-Ohiyesa:
 "The Freedom of the Press."
 MYRON WILLIAMS.



The Preliminary Junior Debate for selecting the team which is to represent us against the Oshkosh Juniors, was held on December 18.

The question debated was

"RESOLVED, That the dissolution of the Large Trusts endangers the best economic interests of the United States."

This is the same question which will be debated with Oshkosh the latter part of March.

The attendance was not what it should have been; only a very few Juniors were present to encourage the debators in their efforts. The judges for the evening were Professor Hippensteel, Professor Spindler, and Professor Patterson. Professor Patterson added to the gravity of the occasion by also acting as presiding officer in the absence of President Sims.

The debators for the evening were:

J. C. Wilberscheid, Alvin Peterson, Mabel Rice, Arthur Murphy, and Otto Schreiner. All the debators did excellent work; and the

decision was difficult to render. The judges picked the following for the team:

Alviu Peterson, Arthur Murphy, Otto Schreiner. Mabel Rice, alternate.

The team is already hard at work; and under the able coaching of Professor Patterson it is hoped and expected we will raise the hoodoo which has hovered over the Stevens Point Juniors for the past two years.

The Junior Calendars issued by the Progressive Class of 1913 were a complete success in every sense of the word. They were considered by many the most pleasing and original Calendars ever put out by a Junior Class. That the students appreciated the Calendars is shown by the fact that about Four Hundred and Forty copies were sold; and only fifteen students in the assembly room failed to order Calendars. The class can look back in future years with pride to the success of its first undertaking in the Stevens Point Normal School.



SOPHOMORES

MR. CAVINS—Prove to us something contrary to fact, Mr. Schulz.

HENRY S.—Force is a breakfast food. Gravity is a force; therefore gravity is a breakfast food.

MR. CAVINS—A Preposition is a bad word to end a sentence *with*.

PROF. H.—Harold Brady, if you learn to factor, young man, you're liable to be the most famous man in the world.

HAROLD—Why, I see that right now.

"SPIN." was pacing up and down the floor in the Methods Class, giving instructions as to the kind of paper to be used; also how it should be folded.

INNOCENT GLADYS—Mr. S., what color of ink do you prefer?

SPIN.—What is the effect of education?

MISS B.—Develops a round person.

SPIN.—You should give the pupils a lofty aim. In "Excelsior," the fellow went to the top of the mountain and was frozen to death. An inspiring lofty aim.

Young Women's Christian Association

The preceding year has been a prosperous one for the Young Women's Christian Association; and it is hoped that during the year 1912, this organization may accomplish more than ever before in the spiritual, intellectual, social and physical development of the young women of the school.

The Association now possesses a new set of Song Books of which it was sorely in need, and which have proved a source of inspiration to the meetings.

At Christmas time the girls made neat and attractive Motto Cards as gifts for the girls of the Industrial School in Milwaukee.

The notes concerning the State Convention were overlooked in the previous number.

This was held at Appleton, Wisconsin, from October 26 to 31.

The delegates sent were Meta Fluck, May Tibbets, Ruth Bennet, Anna Arnold, Lela Potter, and Nellie Savage. The girls returned full of enthusiasm and new ideas for the conducting of the work. Detailed reports of the convention were given on their return, each member dwelling upon some certain phase of it.

A Christmas Program, consisting of the following numbers, was given on December 21, 1911:

Piano Solo	.....	Lillian Zanto
Recitation	.....	Edna Cook
Vocal Solo	.....	Lila Blank
Reading	.....	Miss Burce
Song	.....	Society



ARTS · SCIENCES

The work in serving done by the Senior Domestic Science Girls has given some rather interesting results. The first group was not limited as to cost, and consequently planned a menu the total cost of which was \$4.73. The menu was as follows :

Breakfast.

	Fruit
Cream of Wheat	Cream and Sugar
Omelet	Muffins
Doughnuts	Coffee

Luncheon

Stuffed Potatoes	Creamed Oysters
Fruit Salad	Nut Bread Plum Conserve
Sponge Cake	Cocoa

Dinner

Tomato Soup	Croutons	Celery
Riced Potatoes	Beef Loaf	Tomato Sauce
Creamed Peas		Parker House Rolls
Peach Pickles		Cabbage Salad
Gelatine Dessert		Coffee

Later a group was given the limited sum of \$2.75 to work out a Menu, and found it quite a possibility, as may be seen :

Breakfast

Sliced Bananas with lemon juice and sugar	
Cream of Wheat and dates	Cream and sugar
Graham Gems	Coffee

Luncheon

Macaroni and Cheese	Potato Salad
	Bread and Butter
Cake	Peach Sauce Tea

Dinner

Cream Tomato Soup	Croutons	
Mashed Potatoes	Baked Fish	Escalloped Onions
Bread and Butter	Coffee	
Banana Salad	Wafers	
	Rice Pudding	

In each of these cases twenty persons were served, making the price per capita in the first case \$.236. While in the second case the price per capita was \$.139. These experiments have a very great value. The idea is not alone to see what can be bought with the sum of money allowed, but to study what may be prepared to give the most food value. The supposition is that it is absolutely necessary to have meat at least twice a day ; but it has been found that there are other foods which will supply sufficient nutrition in case meat cannot be had ; for an instance, in the case of the luncheon last given. The hostess could not afford any kind of meat ; and consequently supplied macaroni and cheese. This is simply one of the many useful and interesting points made in this work.

Heretofore, the work in Sewing III has not been offered at any time ; except during the Fourth Quarter. However, this year it is offered the Third Quarter, because of the large number of girls to do that work.

The work in **Cookery Practice** will begin the fourth week of the Third Quarter, at which time the work in Sewing Practice will cease in all grades, with the exception of the sixth. It has been impossible to give practice to the large number of students in twenty weeks ; and consequently the work in the Sixth Grade will be continued during the entire year.



Oshkosh 26. S. P. N. 20.

The strong team from Oshkosh met us on our own floor for the second game of the season. The teams were of about even strength, and a large crowd gathered to see the two schools fight for supremacy.

Oshkosh had two of her championship men on the team this year, and their experience made the team somewhat stronger in team work than our five. The game was clean and devoid of arguments thruout.

Stevens Point Normal forged to the front the first half; and when time was called, the Purple and the Gold floated victorious over the Orange and the White, the score being 8-14 in favor of S. P. N.

The team received fine support from the galleries; and both sides were equally cheered when good plays were made.

The second half opened with a vengeance; and it seemed as tho our boys would be able to keep the score on the right side. But soon the Oshkosh boys seemed to take on added stimulus which resulted in a succession of field goals, tying and then exceeding our score. The dribble was used to advantage by Oshkosh during the game, and it is to this more than anything else that we can attribute our defeat. The game ended with a score of 26-20 in favor of Oshkosh.

Much enthusiasm was demonstrated during and after the game, which showed that S. P. N. had a team that was worthy of

support if vanquished or victorious. Both teams played excellent Basket-Ball.

Oshkosh may be complimented on its fine team, whose conduct on and off the floor was gentlemanly and a credit to the school.

Boys' Athletics.

Basket-Ball.

Normal wins first.

Stevens Point Normal 67. Dispensio Club 13.

The Normals played the Dispensio Club of Waupaca, the first game of the season, at the Normal gymnasium, winning by 67-13.

The Waupaca men were not the least bit dangerous during the entire game; being completely out-classed in all points of the game. Their team work was poor, and their basket shooting weak, being no match for our speedy aggregation.

Our two regular forwards, Birdsall and Woodworth, played in the guard positions in this game, and were all over the floor, each succeeding to make more points than the whole Waupaca aggregation combined, the former shooting 9 baskets from the field, and the latter 12, besides three free throws. Garthwaite at forward played a fine game for his first chance on the first team, and succeeded in getting seven field goals during the game. Fulton clearly out-played his opponent at center; altho he had poor luck in locating the basket. Oden played his usual steady game thruout.

The Line-up.

WAUPACA.		S. P. N.
Parish	Right Field	Garthwaite
Yorkson	Left Field	Oden
Galloway	Center	Fulton
Keeney	Right Guard	Woodworth
Anderson	Left Guard	Birdsall
Barnes	Sub	Schannon

SUMMARY.

Field Goals: Woodworth 12; Birdsall 9; Oden 3; Garthwaite 7; Fulton 1; Galloway 2; Parish 1; Yorkson 1; Barnes 1.

Goals from Fouls: Woodworth 3; Anderson 3.

Referee: Baldorf.

Girls Athletics.

The Forum-Arena girls challenged the girls of the Athenaeum-Ohiyesa to a game of basket ball which was played in the gymnasium on December 8, 1911. Mrs. Smith declared that it was the cleanest and fastest game ever played in the Normal gymnasium, (by the girls of course). Every one who witnessed the game agrees with her fully on that point. The teams were composed of the best players in the school and were evenly matched.

The line up was as follows:

FORUM-ARENA.		ATHENAUM-OHIYESA
Fay Holum	Forward	Esther Werle
Ruth Bennet	Guard	Anna Arnold
Adelaide Williams	Center	Clara Doolan
Irene Feeley	Guard	Meta Steffek
Irene Wilhelm	Forward	Mildred Kelsey

The game started out well, and was exciting from start to finish. During the first

half the Indians came out strong, and the things began to look gloomy for the Romans.

In the second half the Forum-Arena girls came back warmed up to the game. Up to the final moment no one had the slightest inkling as to the outcome. Then Bennet made a lucky basket, the whistle blew, and the score stood 13-11 in favor of the Forum-Arena.

Ten Commandments for B. B. Girls.

1. Thou shalt have but one coach, Mrs. Smith. Thou shalt have no other coach before her; except Charles Fulton.
2. Thou shalt not take the name of thy coach in vain.
3. Remember, thou, that the ball will "bust." Do not sit on it.
4. Honor thy coach, that thou may not flunk in gymnasium, or History.
5. Thou shalt not kill; therefore, do not sit on thy neighbor's head or chest.
6. Thou should not chew gum during the game, lest thou shouldst bite thy tongue.
7. Thou shouldst not steal thy neighbor's gymnasium shoes; unless necessary.
8. Thou shat not bear false witness against thy neighbor if she makes a basket.
9. Thou shalt not foul.
10. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's suit, nor her tie, nor her basket, nor anything that is thy neighbor's.





WIT HUMOR

Normal Gossip.

FACULTY MEMBER—Why did they put those pine cones at the side of the Faculty heading?

WISE STUDENT—Because they are ever-green.

PROF. P-T-T-ON (in Professional History)—Is the hobble skirt a Political or Religious institution?

One of our most dignified Lady members of the faculty, while waiting in the Ladies' waiting room at the depot, was greatly annoyed by the smoke issuing forth from a gentleman's pipe. Approaching the ticket agent, she said:

"Sir, do you allow smoking in here?"

To her surprise the absent-minded agent replied:

"Sure, smoke anywhere you please."

BYRON CARP.—Say, Birdie, I am going to write a theme for Rhetoric, and I wish you would give me some pointers in punctuation.

BIRDSALL.—Sure, Carp.—I have a fine rule: When you start in writing, take a deep breath. Hold it as long as possible, and then insert a comma. Every time you yawn, jot down a semi-colon; and when you feel like taking a fresh chew of gum, be sure to put down a period.

If the Normal were an armory, would it have a Shellhouse?

NORMAN K.—Say, Grover, will you help me support Taft?

GROYER—No; he's too heavy.

ERVIN D.—Say, Harold, how many languages can you speak?

H. B.—Three — English, German, and Profane.

Poor Henry.

A Senior there was from Eau Claire,
Who walked the halls in despair.
He harbored a frown;
Ambrose was in town,
And the treatment he got wasn't fair.

A Junior came down the aisle,
And accosted him with a smile,
"Say, Henry, be gay,
And don't act this way,
He'll be gone in a little while."

Henry looked up rather witty,
But cursed a young man from the city.
He said, "You are right,
But I'll put up a fight,
For there is never a girl like Smitty."

Conditions During Leap-Year.

He heard the door bell ringing,
It was her calling time,
And swiftly he spun o'er the floor
To welcome his Angeline.

"Come in, Dear One, quoth he,
And sit down in this chair.
I will soon ready be,
Just got to comb my hair."

Soon to her he did return
All slicked up prim and fine.
Quoth she, "My dear Gwendolyn,
Let's go and have a time."

So down the street they walked,
He rested on her arm.

The walks were very slippery,
And she shielded him from harm.

Into the restuarant they turned,
Of onlookers took no heed,
But sat down at the table,
And she ordered up a feed.

Soon up she strode with amble pace
To the manager of the till,
And flashed on him in boyish style
A twenty dollar bill.

The manager chuckled a little laugh,
As into the change he did delve.
"I see," he said, "'Tis clear as mud,
The year is Nineteen Twelve."

Then to her dear one she did turn,
And pleasingly did say,
"How about it, Gwendolyn?
Let's go and see the play."

So to the grand old play house
They rapidly did go;

'Twas quite a while since Gwendolyn
Had seen a real good show.

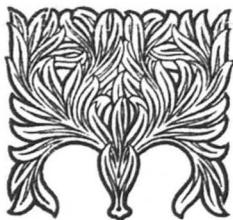
He followed her to the window
A thinking of those eats,
When suddenly he heard her say,
"Give me two Three Dollar seats."

The ticket man just muttered,
"'Tis insanity I fear."
Then suddenly he smiled and said,
"Ah, I see it is Leap-Year."

It was that night at twelve o'clock,
At her beloved's home,
That she knelt down to Gwendolyn
And talked in pleading tone.

What she said we do not know,
But can guess at it quite near,
For he answered her in words like this,
"Yes, Angeline, My Dear."

When in his room alone, he said,
"O Leap-Year, I thank thee double.
Thou has't been a boon to me
In saving this proposing trouble."





Begin the new year right by sending us your paper if you are not already doing so! We want to know what you are doing and hope that you are interested in us.

We note that some of our exchanges are still without exchange departments. Poor policy! You want the interest of the other schools do you not? Then get it by showing your interest in them.

The "Royal Purple", Whitewater Normal publication;-- Some good cuts would do wonders for your paper.

"The Comet", - Milwaukee;-- New Year's issue -- fine!

"The Messenger" of Bellingham, Wash. is a good paper.

The "Otaknam" of Mankato is representative of the school. Why not add a few cuts?

"Anemone" of Spearfish, S. D. :- your last issue gives a fine account of the "Football Season".

The Christmas number of the "Aeroplane", East Green Bay, was good. Fine literary contributions.

Professor:- "What works do you associate with Swift?"

Student:- "Hams, bacon, and sausage."
Ex.

Father:- "Young man, were you out after ten last night?"

Son:- "No father I was only out after one."
Ex.

"Here's where I retire" said the auto sadly as the rear tire exploded.

There are meters of accent,
There are meters of tones.
But the best of all meters
Is meter alone.
Ex.

Be satisfied with what you have, but don't let it prevent you from getting a little more.
Ex.

After our recent snowstorm Mr. B. called the depot. Mr. B. :- "How are the trains running today?"
Agent:- "By steam".

Chinaman's version:

"Teachee, teachee
All day teachee,
Night more workee,
Nerves more creepy,
No more kissee
No more lovee
Poor old maidee."
Ex.

Student:- "I want the life of Julius Caesar."
Librarian:- "Sorry, sir, but Brutus is ahead of you."
Ex.



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