EVERETT DELZELL.

Human consciousness is described figuratively as an on-going stream, but the experiences of life constitute a web which we are constantly weaving. Through the warp of daily common-places is shot the crossing woof of human nature. Out of the two strands comes the composite web which we call life. The place of weaving is everywhere and the selection of threads is not characteristic of place or occasion. Some times we feel that school life is made up of the daily warp threads of lessons, friendships formed, organization activities, games, rooming and boarding experiences and many other of the daily common-places so well known to students, shot across by the more brilliant threads of aspirations, ambitions, opportunities apprehended and realized. This is not all, however, for this is not all of life, even of school life. Amidst the wool threads appear here and there some manifestation of the frailty of human nature and of the assertion that it is not all of life to live; nor all of death to die.

Nearly every year of the history of Stevens Point Normal there comes this lesson of the nature of physical life and of its uncertainty. It is a part of the great education of life and must receive consideration along with other lessons. Various are the ways it engenders itself into our consciousness. Fever comes and removes one, the river claims another, and just now the lesson has come in another very unexpected manner.

Two weeks ago there enrolled in the school one who came from the home of a family that has furnished inspiration and guidance to hundreds of aspiring young people. Life opened out to this young man with much the same romance beauty it has to each of us; but death came to claim him, and the Master of Life sought to promote him to a higher school.

EVERETT DELZELL, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Delzell, was born in Gothenburg, Nebraska, September 20, 1896, and died at Stevens Point, Wisconsin, February 7, 1915.

Although he had been with us but a few days, he was making a place for himself in our lives and our affections as he began gradually to adjust himself to the life of the school. We regret his death; but are mindful of the fact that he showed us the truth of enthusiastic participation in the things he regarded as worth undertaking, and now he has taught us that the aspirations of this life are but the hint of a greater life to come. We express our sense of gratitude for these lessons he emphasized, our sense of regret for his early departure from among us, and our sense of sympathy for the family so bereaved during their early days of sorrow among Stevens Point Normal families.

Former Normal Faculty Member Relieved of Hand-bag.

The Minneapolis papers of Monday contained an account of a hold-up which occurred in that city between 7 and 7:30 o'clock Sunday evening. The account is of particular interest to many people of Stevens Point, the victim, Miss Genevieve Gilruth, until about three weeks ago having been a member of the Faculty of the local Normal school. A letter from Miss Gilruth to Miss Nannie Gray, received today, gave the correct story of her unpleasant experience, and differs materially from the published accounts.

Miss Gilruth stated that she had been to the library to secure some books, and walked down Nicollet avenue to Sixteenth Street, and had but three blocks to go before reaching her rooming place. She had hardly gone a block when she was confronted by a large young man who brandished a revolver in his left hand and with his right grabbed her hand-bag. He then ran down the street; and Miss Gilruth, after recovering from her fright, proceeded to her home.

The hand-bag contained about three dollars in money, some stamps, and a fountain pen.

In her letter to Miss Gray, she stated that a gentleman passing along the same place later in the evening, was held up and robbed by two men.

If big enthusiastic crowds, yelling that had the punch in them, and life and drum corps putting ginger into the situation, if these things could win basket ball games, then the games Friday night would have been ours by a wide margin.

Before we tell our sorrowful tale, however, let's talk about something pleasant, to-wit: the second team High School game. The seconds beat the local Highs in the first half; they slaughtered them in the second. Personally, that's what we like to see; we like to see a team play its best game when the final whistle blows, and act as if wanted more. Final count 31-15, Ellis watching the tally stick oftenest for our boys. Here's the list:

Ellis, center, Modler, Wysocki, forwards; Patterson, Murphy, guards.

It was really sad, that Normal-La Crosse game. We would fain forget it. But it appears to be our painful duty to tell exactly what happened. Here are the facts:

The first half opened at 9:30, with Superintendent "Bill" Otto, of Marshallfield, breaking the men apart in the clinches, in other words working as referee.

It was good basketball. The purple and gold worked in fast, shifty, confident manner, the center and forwards working with precision, the guards letting nothing through. We led at the end of a minute, with a free throw by Edes, and a field goal by Pope. What's more, we kept right on leading, until it seemed to be a well fixed habit. One time the score board showed 16-8. The first half came to an end with the tally 16-11.

Everything looked lovely. The second half had always been our particular pet. If we had been of the betting sort, and had had money handy, we would have laid it all on Stevens Point Normal, I'd say, we what they might.

Somebody must have stripped the gearing on our machine between halves. When it happened it was no longer a machine. When all's said and done, however, we must give the LaCrosse team due credit. They came back in the second half in a way that marks them as a fighting machine of high rank. A team simply has to do, sometimes, what those fellows did. Fairweather men, or teams, or armies, won't always come through. We take off our hats to LaCrosse in this respect. They may have the better team at all times; they seem to have, for stormy weather, at any rate.

Things went from bad to worse in this half. They tied our score; they went to the front; they were out of sight around the next corner. They were out-doing themselves, we have no doubt, and this is a handy thing to be able to do, sometimes.

Final score, LaCrosse 41, Stevens Point Normal 29.

The visitors deserved to win, and they came through.

Normal Schools.

In the course of a long and sarcastic article, in which it opposes the establishment of additional Normal Schools in this State, The Appleton Post said: "It is safe to say that there are not a dozen Normal graduates engaged as instructors in the rural schools of the State to-day. They have all been aviated to such an intellectual altitude, at public expense, as to dwarf Pedagogy in the schools of the masses to a menial position."

On the contrary, it is not "safe to say" any such thing, not if you want to keep within speaking distance of the truth. On this 9th day of February, 1915, there are more than twenty graduates of the Stevens Point Normal who are teaching in Rural Schools of Portage county alone; and of the men who graduated from this school 87 are engaged in educational work in this state, and twenty are engaged in the same work outside the state. Of the women graduates 440 are engaged in educational work in the state, and 28 outside of the state.

More than this: Graduates of the Stevens Point Normal are engaged in educational work in Alaska, Canada, Madagascar, the District of Columbia, and in 20 states of the Union besides Wisconsin—Arkansas.
**OHIYESA SOCIETY.**

Following are the officers elected for the rest of the year:

Vera Mueller...President
Dorothy Kraus...Vice President
Lucy Smith...Secretary, re-elected.
Ada Baine...Treasurer, do

Program for Friday night:
Vocal Solo...Lucille Spears.
Piano Duet...Misses Kraus.
Book Review...V. V's Eyes,
Mr. and Mrs. Ma'aney.

The Society members are wearing their new pins. This is not an Indian Village, altho many wagons are seen about.

**STATE NORMAL SCHOOL.**

Safety First.

State Superintendent Fred. L. Keeler is urging the schools of the State (Illinois) to carry on the work along Safety First lines with renewed vigor this fall. The schools were the means of accomplishing much good through their efforts last year; but the number of accidents due to carelessness is still more than it should be. The greater multiplicity of street cars and automobiles is appalling. In some cases the child did not stop to look before crossing the street; in many cases he wanted to show other children how skilful he was in dodging. Officers and ordinances cannot prevent all accidents.

Teaching the child the folly of dodging in front of moving vehicles will be far more effective, and a campaign of education against careless practices should be carried on.

In this day of electric lines and inter-urbans, children, their parent also, should be made to understand the danger of touching broken and fallen wires. The bon fire is a feature of the Fall season. Children should be warned against building fires too close to buildings, being careless with matches, playing too near the fire. Boys, more than girls like to "take a chance." To some it seemed cowardly to be careful. The home and the school should co-operate in eradicating this idea. Carefulness and watchfulness should be instilled in the minds of children.

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The following Program was carried out Monday night, February 8, 1915:

I. Roll Call.
II. Song: Society.
III. Inaugural Address of President Lanecott Gordon
IV. Talk: Mr. Smith.
V. Debate: RESOLVED, That President Wilson was justified in vetoing the Immigration Bill.

AFFIRMATIVE: NEGATIVE:
1. Martin Rieschl, 1. Frank Wood,
2. Franklin Chilrud, 2. Mich'l Rybicki

VI. Business Meeting.
VII. Adjournment.

Mr. Smith’s talk was very interesting and instructive. He told us about his experiences in the Naval Reserve, and they surely were interesting to all present. We did not know that he had a veteran of the Spanish American War on our Faculty, and didn’t think that Mr. Smith ever helped man a ship, and furthermore an old monitor which had seen as much service in the Civil War.

Not only was his talk interesting, but it was very instructive. We heard some things about the Spanish American War which cannot be read in histories. He showed the boys how unprepared the Nation was, and didn’t only say so, but showed just how and why we will be glad to hear from Mr. Smith again.

The following Program was carried out last Friday evening, February 12, 1915:

I. Roll call: Respond with a Current Event.
II. Song: On Wisconsin, Society
III. Piano Solo: Mr. Mike Tovey
IV. Parliamentary Practice.
V. Song: Quartet: Michael Rybicki, Carl Nelson, Lanecott Gordon, Emil Haafsoos
VI. Business Meeting.
VII. Critic’s Report.
 VIII. Adjournment.

To sum up the meeting we might well quote Mr. Gilson’s Critic’s Report; but since we haven’t his speech on hand, we will give the substance of it as well as possible. Note in particular the vocabulary:

“The Current Events were surely very instructive and educational. It seems that many must have prepared their Roll Call Response very diligently and carefully. The song by the society was very well taken part in, and our friend Mr. Caruso, Rybicki is very kind to consent to aid us so diligently.

The Piano solo was very melodious, harmonious, exhilarating, and pleasing to the audience.

The Parliamentary Practice was very much awake,” and altho I was in a very critical position for some time. (Mr. Gilson led Parliamentary Practice,) I feel that it was a great benefit to all.

The Quartet was just like the Piano Solo. The Boys received two encores. On the whole the meeting was a great, tremendous, and colossal success.

(Speech of Mr. Gilson as nearly as it can be produced.)
WE WANT EVERY BOY TO ATTEND THESE MEETINGS.

To our Esteemed Instructor, Mr. Delzell.

We, the Students of the Stevens Point Normal School, wish to extend our heart-felt sympathy to you and your family in your bereavement, the suddenness of which adds to the sorrow.

In our brief acquaintance with Everett we found him a fine, earnest fellow, whom we were proud to know, and with whom we had anticipated a happy and congenial fellowship. We feel that death has indeed come very near to us.

Realizing there is little we can do to assuage your grief, we sincerely hope that in our new relationship with you, no thoughtlessness on our part will add to that grief; but that in us you may find the warm friends and loyal supporters which will help to make it more bearable.

In the full assurance that God knows what is best, and that in Him you have a comforter who is able and willing to help you bear your sorrow, we recommend you to His love.

Lanecott A. Gordon C. K. Crouse
W. C. Hamilton Clara A. Whitney
S. R. Ellis Students Committee

Rhyme of the Practice Teacher

It was a Practice Teacher,
And he stopeth one of three,
And dragged him to a corner,
"There was a class," quoth he.
A class of little angels,
And students, every one;
They bent in toil above their books
From morn to set of sun.
They worked with zeal, they worked with zest,
They worked in perfect glee,
And all their words were of the best,
And how they honored me!
They never threw the chalk around,
Or whispered to a seat mate,
Or marked the teacher’s coat.
Their lessons all were perfect,
Their papers were so neat,
And each one got a hundred,
For his work was all complete.
He stopped for want of breath, and
Waved his fingers in the air,
I marked the waniess of his look,
His fixed and glassy stare.
I waited for his final words,
Alas, he could not stay,
Two burlly keepers came along
And carried him away.

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FIRST NATIONAL BANK
Marie O'Connor and Isabella School spent Sunday in Mosinee.

Carolyn Deyoe, Caroline Schnabel and Eva Lund spent the week end at their respective homes in Grand Rapids.

Misses Grace Taylor and Constance Boorman have returned to their school duties, after an absence of a couple of weeks, on account of illness.

Mr. Oscar Dorr of Milwaukee, spent a few days with friends who are attending the Normal.

Mr. Natehway spent a few days with his daughter Charlotte who is a student at the Normal.

Misses Selma Johnson and Ida Henderson visited with friends at Wausau recently.

Vesper services were held in the Methodist Church, Sunday afternoon, in honor of Miss Grace Dodge former National President of the Young Women's Christian Association.

Miss Clara Dysland, a former student of the Normal, visited with friends here for a few days.

At the Southern Wisconsin Teacher's Association held at Madison, F. S. Hyer will speak on faults in Reading, and how to improve them.

J. W. Strope gave an interesting talk to the Rural School Students, last week, on "The History of the Flag." He also dwelt to some extent upon the history of Portage County, and showed a fine collection of historical relics.

Mr. Ames will conduct an Institute at Stratford, Marathon County. In this Institute he will assist Mr. Gil-er, the newly appointed County Superintendent of Schools. Mr. Ames will offer work in Language and History.

Professor John Phelan, head of the Rural School Department, accompanied a group of Students to the Observation School at Custer last Thursday. These trips are regular occurrences, and give the students a practical insight into the methods of teaching in the County Schools.

Mr. Hippensteel conducted an Institute at Friendship, on Saturday, for County Superintendent Florence Stillings, who is a graduate of the Normal School, was appointed by State Superintendent Cary to succeed Miss Douglas.

Miss Ada Erwin, assistant supervisor of the Domestic Science Department, has recovered from her illness, and returned to her work.

Professor F. S. Hyer has installed the Courtts tests in the Training department, and these are Miss being applied. The Courtts tests are for the purpose of scientifically determining the mental efficiency of students, and they have been used with marked success in leading educational institutions in the country.

Miss Grace Godfrey is absent room school, on account of illness.

Miss Belle Rogers, Domestic Science instructor at Waupaca, spent a few days of last week with friends who are attending the Normal.

Professor F. S. Hyer conducted an Institute at Fond du Lac last Saturday.

Mr. Robert Griesbach, visited friends at the Normal, recently.

Hazel Menier, Isabella Boyles, and Esther Werle, spent the week end at Wausau.

ENTERTAINED MOTHERS

Domestic Science Class Serves Refreshments.

Miss Mae Roach, teacher of the Rural Observation School at Custer, entertained the Mothers of the district at that school on Tuesday afternoon. The feature of the afternoon's work which was of special interest to the Mothers was the class in Domestic Science under the direction of Miss Mary Brady, a Domestic Science senior. The class prepared and served the refreshments for the Mothers. President Sims, Mr. Phelan, and Miss Allen of the Normal School, attended the meeting. Short addresses were given by the guests, and the children sang several of their school songs.

Such meetings do much to unite the interest of the school and the home. The district of Custer has always manifested keen interest in the work of the school, and on Tuesday a goodly attendance was further evidence of interest. Miss Brady is to have a class of country teachers at the college at Ames, Iowa, next Summer, for instruction in Domestic Science and Art as are practical in Rural Schools. She has been unusually successful in her management of the Domestic Science at the Custer school.

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