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# Department S

## PHYSICAL TRAINING

A new victrola has recently been purchased by the girls in the department and they are using the marches and folk dancing music in all classes.

Some time in February the department expects to present R. B. Dennis, director of Northwestern University School of Oratory, in a recital. All who heard him read "The Melting Pot" last year will undoubtedly be eager to hear him again.

A demonstration of the physical work done by S. P. N. girls was given Thursday afternoon, Jan. 25, in the school gymnasium. Two hundred and eighty girls took part and presented all types of physical work done by regular classes.

Some interesting records are being kept by various classes. The following are of interest:

Average time spent out of doors daily,  $1\frac{1}{4}$  hours.

Average hours of sleep, 8 hours.

Average number of steps taken inhaling, 10 steps.

Average number of steps taken exhaling, 9 steps.

Average number of steps taken holding breath, 16 steps.

Average glasses of water used daily, 4.

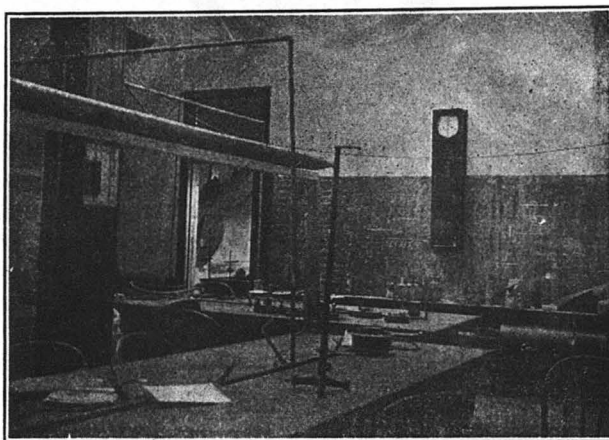
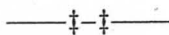
The great need of physical training for students was shown in the semester examination recently given. Two hundred and eighty girls were examined and only one hundred and twenty-six hold their heads well, one hundred and seven have normal spines with no curvature, one hundred and six have normal shoulders, and one hundred and twenty have normal feet. A class in Swedish corrective gymnastics will begin next semester for students who can not take the regular floor work and for those who need special physical corrections.

Basket ball ending with a tournament will be the winter sport. Skating and toboggan sliding will be introduced when conditions are favorable. Classes have been out on local toboggans, next year the department hopes to have a school slide with several toboggans. The spring athletic attraction will be tennis. Games and folk dancing on the lawn will begin early in preparation for a big spring fete. Hiking clubs will be organized with special arm bands to designate different clubs. Records will be kept of speed and distance covered when hiking.

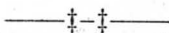
The plan for women's athletics in the school is to have one sport each season

in which a large number of students will take part. Field Hockey will be introduced in the school in September. This English game for women was first played near London where it gained great popularity. It was first played in the United States in 1901 by people near Philadelphia, who learned the

game in Canada. It is played out of doors by twenty-two people, eleven on each team. Hockey sticks and cricket balls are used. The game has a permanent place in athletics of all American colleges for women and it is hoped Stevens Point people will be enthusiastic about it.



Physics Department.



## SCIENCE NOTES

### Physics

The Home Economics class in physics closed at the end of the first semester, Jan. 29. The last of this course was devoted to the study of electricity as applied to the electric bell, motor in the home, the incandescent light, arc light, electroplating, telephone and heating, as employed in the flatiron and other devices. The laboratory work has been entirely practical, consisting of readings of the electric meter, connecting and operating a telephone, connecting a door bell, study of simple cells, fuses, and the wire connectives of the incandescent light.

### Agriculture.

Mr. Beglinger's suggestion, pertaining to the mounting of a collection of weeds made by the students of the rural class, has been carried out and proved very satisfactory, in that a good exhibit is obtained. It is more instructive than the use of the seed alone, as in the new way the entire plant can be more easily recognized.

### Biology

A course in histology, given by Miss Cooper, will be offered for the first time, the beginning of the second semester.

It will deal with the making and examining of microscopic slides of plant and animal tissue.

The Home Economics bacteriology class has been testing milk and water obtained from different city supplies.

A new course in plant breeding will be offered by Mr. Fairchild, the fourth quarter. This subject will deal with the laws of heredity as applied to plants.

### **Chemistry**

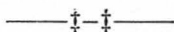
For the past semester classes were divided as follows:

1. Mr. Culver, general chemistry, quantitative chemistry and advanced home economics chemistry. The last quarter was spent by chemistry III in dealing largely with the chemistry of fats, carbohydrates, and proteins, while

the latter part of the second quarter was devoted for the most part to the study of proteins alone.

2. Mr. Rogers, general chemistry, organic chemistry, and home economics chemistry. The advance course in home economics chemistry made several analyses determining the total and available amount of carbon dioxide in several samples of baking powder, several complete analysis of milk with some determinations of the contents of fats and oils.

3. Mr. Smith, elementary science and two classes in general chemistry. During the semester, the following courses are to be handled in the chemistry department: General chemistry, home economics chemistry, quantitative chemistry, qualitative chemistry, chemistry I, chemistry II, chemistry III, chemistry IV.



## **GRAMMAR NOTES**

### **Debate**

The Junior debating team is composed of four members including the one alternate. We are very proud to say that three of the debaters are from our department. What is the reason that there are so many from one department and so few from the others? What are you doing, High School?

### **Scholarship**

The grammar grade department stood first among the departments in having the greatest number of members on the honor roll of last year. Over one-fourth or 25.7% of its members were represented. At the end of the semester it also stood first in having more of its people on the excellent records and honorable mention. Out of eighty-six people, 9 had excellent records and fif-

teen had records of honorable mention. When the honors for the year were awarded Miss Gladys Blood received third place with an average of 92.4%.

Although many of the people who were on these records are not among us this year, others have come to us who, as the semester draws near its close, show by their industry and efficiency that they are entitled to high places.

### **Spelling Test**

The results of the spelling contest that was recently conducted in the school are very interesting. Eight grammar department girls out of the seventy-nine taking the test received standings of 100%. But none of the boys achieved this mark. The average number of words missed per person was 4.4. The average standing of the girls was 92.4% and that of the boys 86.4%,

making the average for both boys and girls 91.2%. We challenged any other department to show us a better record!

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### **School Citizenship**

Local pride and patriotism is a fine thing if it doesn't interfere with something bigger and finer. The ninety-eight students in this department have certain ties of common interest and sympathy which united them; but they have no formal organization, with officers and a constitution. Why? Because it seems apparent to most of the members of the department that the best call to their school spirit and citizenship comes from the student organizations already established—the classes, the literary societies, and others. We want to think in terms of old S. P. N., rather than in terms of the Grammar Grade Department.

Down this column a little farther you may find the proof that we are doing it.

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### **We Didn't Do It!**

“The Grammar Grade Department” is about as dry and uninteresting a name as could be imagined, wouldn't you say? But most of us don't have much to do with naming ourselves, anyway; and we certainly never picked out the name of this department. But after all, it does not matter much, because its name is the only thing about the department that is uninteresting. Read farther and find your proof of this assertion.

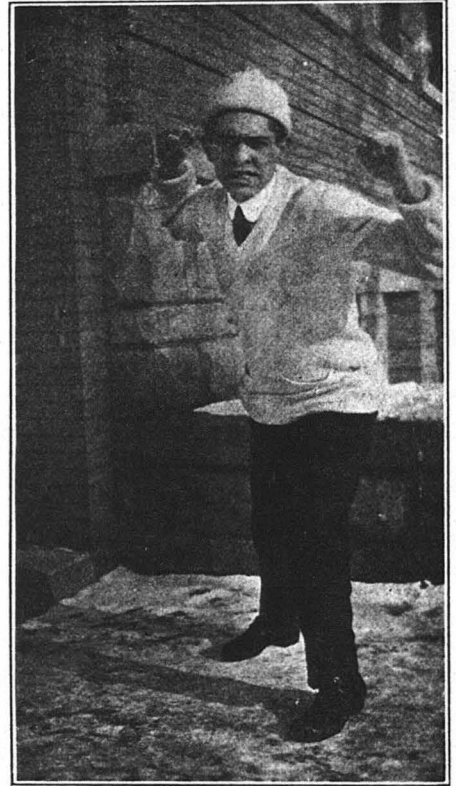
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### **School Publications**

We have our representatives on the staff of each of the two publications of the school, the Iris and the Pointer. Mr. Neuwald is business manager of the Iris. Others of us are holding important positions on the staff.

### **Our Cheer Leader**

It gives us much pleasure to say that the cheer leader of the school is from our department. Adolph Neuwald has ably organized and directed the outward manifestation of school spirit for



**Rah! Rah! Rah!**

two years. He has never failed to present himself at every game to encourage the players by his enthusiasm. Hurrah for Adolph!

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During the first semester of the school year of 1916-'17 ninety-five students have enrolled in the grammar department of this Normal school. This number includes those students who have enrolled in the course for the training of principals of state graded schools, together with those taking the regular training course for grammar grades.

## HOME ECONOMICS

Let Milwaukee have her course in art,  
And River Falls her rural life;  
And let Whitewater do her part  
Preparing folks for business strife.

Let La Crosse teach you how to stand,  
And Oshkosh how to work in wood;  
Let Froebel's teachings now expand  
Where once Hiawatha's wigwam  
stood.

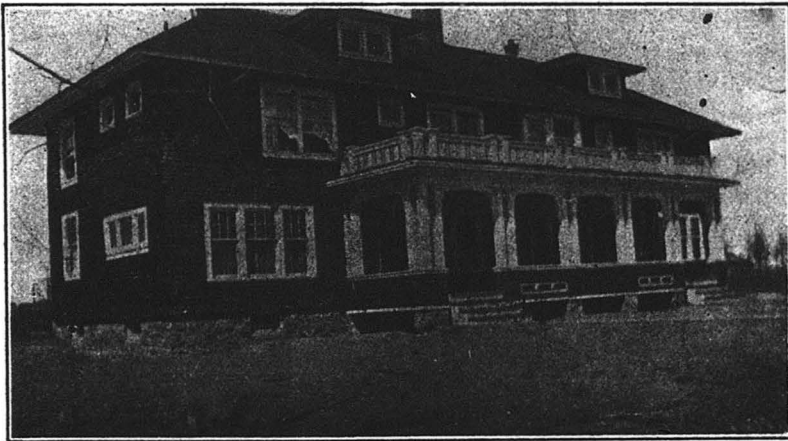
We wish complete success in all  
That each is doing for the state,  
But Stevens Point has heard the call  
Which, heeded, makes a nation great.

The art of making homes is one  
On which a nation's strength depends,  
And even the homliest task well done  
Forward dignity of labor tends.

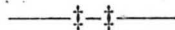
This the work that S. P. N.  
Is doing through the Home Ec Course  
Its students (and it excludes men)  
Are in this school a mighty force.

For every school activity  
Calls on the Home Ec Girls for aid;  
They plan, they cook, they serve; you  
see  
Of good hard work they're not afraid.

The interests of the school are theirs,  
They glory in her proud old name,  
They share her worries and her cares,  
And through the State her strength  
proclaim. . J. A. P.



The Cottages



## ACADEMIC DEPARTMENT

When the Stevens Point Normal  
opened in 1894, those people wishing to  
take the full course entered what was  
then known as the elementary course.

This was a preparatory course. On  
April 17, 1911, it was thought best to  
add another year, making it a three year  
course, and to call it the Academic. On

July 1, 1913, the Board of Regents decided to discontinue this course. The Sub-Freshman year is no longer offered and this is the last year Freshmen will be admitted.

There are today seventy-six students enrolled in the academic department and, under the direction of Miss Brewster, we are able to hold our own with any of the other departments. Several of our number have already attained honors in different school activities and it is expected that many more will be added during this year.

The following are some of the honors won by persons of our department during the school year of 1915-1916:

Martin Paulsen, one of the Sophomores of last year, represented the Normal in the state oratorical contest held at Superior and won first place through the disqualification of the first and second place contestants.

When the list of those who had made excellent records in the last semester of 1915-1916 was published, three of our

department, Elizabeth Burke, Theresa Baughman and Helen Biolopynski, were among the number.

The Iris of last year conducted a short story contest which was open to the entire school. The prize, an Iris, was awarded to Ora Phelps. Miss Phelps also assisted in the preparation of the Iris contributing a number of clever and amusing sketches.

This department took an important part in school athletics, also. At the track meet at Lawrence, May 5, 1916, Glen Neale won first place in the high jump. Walter Stewart first place in the shot put and Bernard Christiansen third place in the two mile run.

Anzelm Wysocki was a member of the football team, representing the school last year.

It can be easily seen that the academic department has made itself felt in all the school activities, and it is to be deeply regretted that it will soon be discontinued.

### A Jitney Ride (?)

Tell me not in mournful numbers  
That our jitney's but a dream.  
Quickly, I left the depot burning  
Yonder many an icy stream.

Time was not, Time was fleeting,  
And the Normal was the goal;  
But to get there was the question  
That was raging in my soul.

Fate insisted on my walking,  
And my heart beat (98),  
Till I got to composition  
Just about ten minutes late.

Slowly moved the jitney forward,  
And I fairly held my breath,  
Lest by making a disturbance  
It might cause the jitney's death.

In the jitney's field of action  
Batteries oft are rather slow.  
The tire sounded like a cannon,  
And the jitney would not go.

Rachel Smith.

## RURAL NOTES

### Advice to Rural Students

"In promulgating your esoteric cogitations, or articulating your superficial sentimentalities, and amicable, philosophical, or psychological observations, beware of platitudinous ponderosity.

"Let your conversational communications possess a clarified consiseness, a compacted comprehensibleness, a coalescent consistency, and a concatenated cogency.

"Eschew all conglomerations of flatulent garrulity, jejune babblement, and asinine affectations.

"Let your extemporaneous descantings and unpremeditated expatiations have intelligibility and veracious vivacity without rodomontade or thrasonical bambast.

"Sedulously avoid pompous prolixity, psittaceous vacuity, ventriloquial verbosity, and vaniloquent vapidty.

"Shun double intendres, pestiferous profanity, prurient jocosity, obscurent and apparent.

In other words, speak plainly, clearly, truthfully; say what you mean and mean what you say; and, above all, **do not use big words.**"

Due to the courtesy of Miss Jennie Graham, formerly assistant to Mr. Neale, we were able to obtain several



"Back To The Farm" Cast

snapshots of the "Back to the Farm" cast. These were taken near the close

of the school year '16 and therefore too late to be put in any of the school publications. The Pointer editor has kindly consented to publish them at this time.



Two Ruralites

R is for Right which the rurals demand.

U is for Unity, understand!

R is for Racket we try to avoid.

A is for Ambitious always employed.

L is for Loyalty ever abounding.

S is for Spirit loudly resounding.

Lenora Helgeland.

Stop! Look! Listen! Handle with care! We Rurals! Beware!

A popular query heard around the school: Jensen or Bentson, which is it?

Ruralite—Aren't we gentlemen?

City Boy—Yes, but one of us aint.

Miss Maud E. Rice has completed the rural course this quarter and is now teaching in the city schools of Wauke-  
sha, Wis.

To enter a department

That can't be beat,

Report to the rurals.

They'll find you a seat.

A. P.

Three members of our department graduated at the end of this quarter, namely the Misses Bessie and Marie Melgreen and Henry A. Beglinger. The Misses Melgreen plan to start teaching at once if the opportunity presents it-

self. We wish them success wherever their labors take them. Mr. Beglinger expects to remain at school to take up further work.

Although young in years the Rural Department is one of the most progressive departments in the Stevens Point Normal school, as is shown by its large enrollment this year.

The Senior class of the rural department established a record for action in the matter of having their pictures taken for the Iris. The decision to have individual pictures in the Iris this year was made on Friday, Jan. 5th, and on Saturday, Jan. 6th, the first Seniors reported at Cook's Studio. By Monday, Jan. 15th, eighty-five rural Seniors had their pictures taken.

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### **The Missing Director**

In an office neat and pleasant,  
High up in an attic room,  
Dwelt our Rural School Director.  
It now is silent as a tomb.

We have searched for our director,  
With eyes so very keen;  
But they say we cannot find him.  
For he's under quarantine.

— L. Wallace.

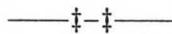
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### **Jingles.**

Laugh at our class!  
You're beginning to stop.  
Reflect—"The Junior debate"  
Who reached the top?

Scorn the Rurals, if you dare;  
Not a one of them will care,  
For every knock you give them  
Means another student with them.

You may laugh at our class  
But never-the-less;  
We'll do our best  
And get ahead of the rest.



## **PRIMARY DEPARTMENT**

Miss Whitney was called to her home in St. Cloud, Minn., Saturday morning, Jan. 20, because of the sudden death of her sister. Miss Whitney has the heartfelt sympathy of the primary students.

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### **First and Second Grades**

The total enrollment in the first and second grades of the Training Department for this semester is fifty-two. Out of this number ten pupils have dropped out or withdrawn. This leaves a present enrollment of forty-two pupils.

At present, Miss Cutright, the critic teacher of the first and second grades, has working under her supervision, thirty-seven student practice teachers.

About fifty classes are taught daily by these practice teachers in the five primary rooms.

The practice teachers are frequently visited in their classrooms by their critic teacher and by Mr. Hyer, principal of the training department.

Beside the regular line of work that is being carried on in the training department, Mr. Hyer and the various critic teachers are working to install a standard system of testing and grading pupils. This is the first Normal school training department in the state that is entering into this work. Already, a standard reading test is being worked out. This test will cover all the grades with the exception of the first, and the

department expects to have the larger part of this work completed before the year closes.

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### Mr. Delzell

He smiles a while,  
And while he smiles,  
Another smiles.

Soon there are miles and miles of smiles.

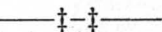
"Down Home" in Nebraska Mr. Delzell is known as Sunny Jim and the sunshine of Nebraska was brought to Wisconsin when he came to S. P. N. to work among us.

Students who come to school in the morning, feeling that all the world is blue, have but to look at Mr. Delzell's smile in order to realize there is sunshine and that it will be brighter and more genial as the day advances. Even

when the daylight fades, its cheerful comfort will still be felt.

As director of the primary department Mr. Delzell is fully efficient. However his influence does not stop there. His jovial spirit, and magnetic power reaches out to every member of the school. This department congratulates itself upon having at its head a man of such influence as their model.

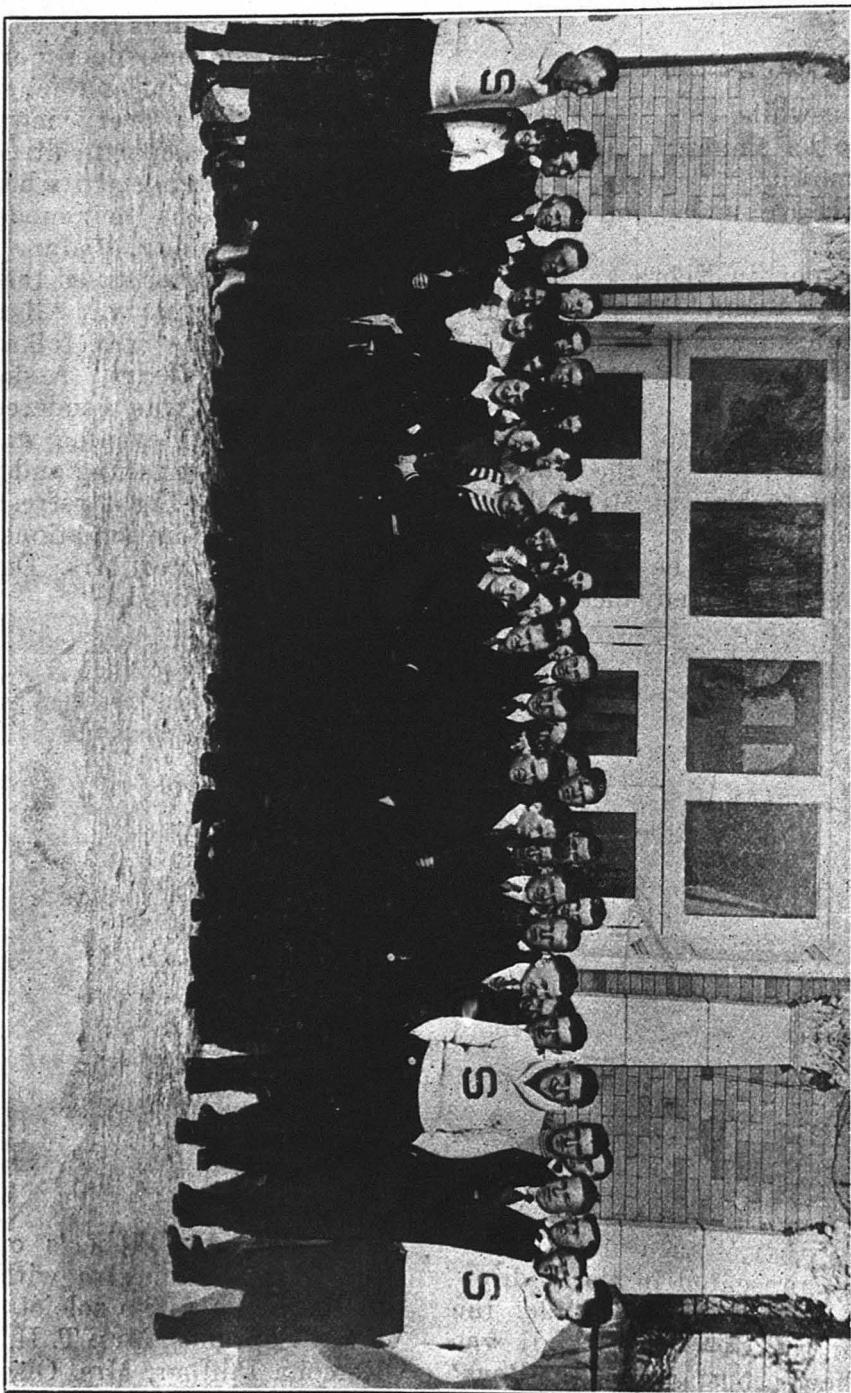
On the evening of Jan. 15, Mr. and Mrs. Delzell entertained the department at a juvenile party. All the students were dressed as little folks and carried dolls or teddy bears. A short, interesting program was rendered. The remainder of the evening was pleasantly spent in picture taking and playing children's games. Light refreshments were served. Our anticipations of a good time at Mr. and Mrs. Delzell's home were fully realized.



### MUSIC

"The Holy City," an oratorio by A. R. Gaul, was presented in the auditorium of the Normal Jan. 23, under the able direction of Miss Shelton. It was sung by a chorus consisting of the Boys' Glee Club, Girls' Treble Clef, High School Glee Club and several soloists selected from the best home talent, ac-

companied by Weber's orchestra and the Normal orchestra with Mrs. Blake at the piano. The soloists were as follows: Sopranos, Mrs. T. H. Hanna, Miss Romona Pfiffner, Mrs. Olson; contralto, Miss Susan Bannister; bass, Carl Kelsey; tenor, A. J. Miller.



HIGH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT—The Winners of The Pointer Contest



### Lawrence Game a Riot.

In a game replete with thrills, the Stevens Point Normal basketball team defeated Lawrence College for the fourth consecutive time within the past two years. The final score was 30 to 18. The game started with a rush, but neither team could find the basket. Finally, after 8 minutes of play, Stevens Point scored a free throw and a minute later with a field goal. The first half was a see-saw game, but S. P. N. was able to hold the lead, the half ending with the score 13 to 10.

The second half demonstrated the superiority of the teachers' team over the college quintet; the Normal gradually drew away from their opponents.

One of the Lawrence players, seeing that the game was lost, deliberately resorted to rough tactics. Mr. Wharfield had "bad blood" in his eye all evening; he had been roughing our center and when centers were changed in the Stevens Point line-up, he became more open in his roughness. Just before the end of the game, the aforesaid person slugged the S. P. N.'s center; a riot ensued, lasting for a few moments, but before it was quelled several players were struck. The referee banished the two centers from the game. It may be said that we feel that the college team showed poor sportsmanship. When a team representing a college cannot act as gentlemen, it is about time to start housecleaning before it is too late. Mr. Wharfield

was also ejected from the game at Lawrence; the game being refereed by a different official.

Under the above circumstances we feel justified in criticising the team from Appleton. The "Laurentian," the Lawrence college paper, gave a ludicrous account of the game. It is news to us that anyone "attempted to hit the referee," or that "nearly all of the bystanders rushed out upon the floor." The best that Lawrence can do is to take their defeat the best way they can. It is indeed bitter medicine to have a minor school defeat a school which rates itself higher than a Normal school.

The players participating in the game for Stevens Point were: Giedlinski, Shallberg, Pope, Smith, Burns, Reynolds and Capt. Stewart. Giedlinski scored as many points as the entire Lawrence team did. The guarding of Stewart and Reynolds was a revelation to Lawrence.

### Oshkosh Game.

S. P. N.'s enemy of years gone by was taken into camp and defeated on the evening of January 6 by the score of 33 to 9. The game played showed the rustiness of the Stevens Point players. The first half resulted in the score of 14-5 in our favor. The local team got going the second half and ran their score up to 33. Oshkosh was only able to score 4 points the last half, mainly on

account of close guarding by the Stevens Point guards. Neither forward of the Sawdust City's team was able to cage a basket during the entire game.

The local line-up was Giedlinski, Hertz, lf.; Shallberg, Burns, rf.; Pope, Smith, c.; Reynolds, Shallberg, rg; Stewart, lg.

### Rout for Stout.

Demonstrating to their northern school friends how S. P. N. plays basketball, the Stevens Point aggregation defeated Stout 34 to 5.

The game started with Stout giving a stiff competition for the first five minutes of play; they were the first to score through the means of a free throw. But after the Pointers got their bearings and warmed up, four baskets were caged in quick succession. Stout then scored through another free throw while S. P. N. was scoring two more field goals. The first half resulted in a score of 18 to 3.

The Normal quintet took things easy during the second half and towards the latter part of the game slowed up as further massacring was not necessary.

Stevens Point clearly showed their superiority through their shooting, lightning team work and through their quick defensive work. Stout caged one field goal during the last half, thrown by a guard from the middle of the floor. The game ended with the score 34 to 5, with Stout possessing the 5 points.

The Stevens Point team seems to have struck their stride. Shallberg and Stewart put up a defensive game which prevented their opponents a clear shot at the basket; besides this Stewart scored one field goal.

Giedlinski scored repeatedly from all angles of the floor; incidentally, he scored eight field goals and four free throws for a total of twenty points. Pope out-jumped his man on every occasion and scored four field goals while

holding his man scoreless. Hertz scored two field goals and contributed much towards the winning of the game with good team work.

### Sidelights on the Stout game:—

Hertz was the goat on the trip. He first lost his ticket at Chippewa Falls and on his return home he missed his train at Marshfield. (Harry jumped off to see the town.)

M. G., ordering supper—"Give me some fried eggs—rare."

H. D.—"Oh I shall have reasons to remember Shallberg." What are the reasons, Shallie?

The Misses Stewart and Evans accompanied the team as rooters.

Coach Corneal was a happy coach after the game.

James Burns, an old Normal basketball player, came over from Eau Claire to witness the game.



"Hoop E Do"

Sweaters were given to all players upon the football squad who had played in four or more games. The sweaters awarded this year are white "V" necked garments, with a half purple and half gold "S" upon the breast. The sixteen athletes honored are Chas. Burns, city; Joseph Pope, Wausau; Walter Stewart, city; Rex Beekler, Granton; Leslie Hogan, Grand Rapids; Earl Chalk, Rock Island, Ill.; William Metzger, Grand Rapids; James Murphy, Hayton; Ermin Smith, Grand Rapids; Harry

Hertz, Weyauwega; Sidney Eagleburger, city; W. A. Reynolds, Marshfield; Edgar Clements, Marinette; Elmer Ellis, Moline, Ill; Leslie Shallberg, Moline, Ill.; Chas. Horne, city. Glen Neale received a gray "V" necked sweater with a purple and gold "S" for his work last year on the track squad.

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### **Football Captain.**

Leslie Hogan is the new leader of our football team for the coming year. Leslie has played two years upon the team; his position is at center. He has been chosen each year for the last two years as the "all normal center." Captain Hogan is a man of action on both the offence and the defence. He will make a determined leader, setting the pace for his team mates. Here's to a successful season, Captain Hogan.

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Prof. R. W. Fairchild is one of five credited basketball officials in the state of Wisconsin. He will work this season in Lawrence, Carroll and Ripon college games, in the Oshkosh and Whitewater Normal games and in many high school contests of the state. His schedule calls for officiating eighteen games and in addition he will handle the Oshkosh Normal sectional tournament and the Lawrence college state tournament.

### **Track Captain.**

Sidney Eagleburger has been elected captain of the track team for the track season of 1917. "Sid," as he is known to his comrades, is a big point man for the school. He is a dash man. He scored 14 points against Lawrence at Appleton on May 5, 1916. We extend to "Sid" and his team our good wishes for a most successful season.

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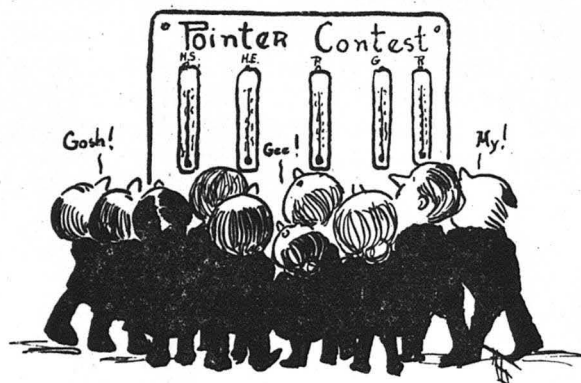


**"SID"**

**Track Captain**

# SCHOOL NOTES

## THE POINTER CONTEST.



The recent Pointer campaign which started on Wednesday, January 10th, and lasted until Tuesday night, January 16, resulted in an increase of 43 subscriptions. The High school group won the right to the prize offered by the Pointer staff. They increased their percentage during the campaign from 49% to 51%. The grammar department was a close second with 50%. The rural department is to be commended for its 13% increase. It is the champion of all the departments in actually increasing its percentage.

We herewith give the summary of the campaign:

| Departments—         | No. in Dept. | Sub. before Cam. | Per cent before | Sub. after Cam. | Per ct. after |
|----------------------|--------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Primary .....        | 111          | 25               | 22%             | 30              | 27%           |
| Academic .....       | 76           | 27               | 36%             | 30              | 39%           |
| Grammar .....        | 98           | 46               | 47%             | 49              | 50%           |
| Home Economics ..... | 105          | 29               | 27%             | 37              | 35%           |
| Rural .....          | 159          | 36               | 23%             | 57              | 36%           |
| High School .....    | 90           | 43               | 48%             | 46              | 51%           |
| Total                | 639          | 206              |                 | 249             |               |

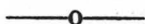
## SENIOR NEWS.

As the semester draws near its close, we find several of our class about to graduate, two of whom have already secured very desirable positions. Margaret Tozier finishes the five year German course. She has taken special work in physical training and has accepted a

position as director of that department in the State School for the Blind at Janesville. Elsie Nagel, who finishes the five year English course and who has taken special work in supervision, has accepted a teacher's training position in the high school at Westfield. Others who finish at this time are Mary Bound, Geda

Myhre, Florence Roberts, Harriet Johnson, Grace Nohr, Herbert Marsh, Lydia Clark and Gladys Blood. Of these Geda Myhre, Gladys Blood and Lydia Clark expect to remain until the close of the year and do post-graduate work.

For the past three weeks Hattie Cone has been doing substitute work in the Thorpe High school, teaching English and history. Herbert Marsh has been substituting in the eighth grade at Marshfield. He will go to Madison Sunday, where he expects to become a document clerk at the capitol.



### COMING EVENTS.

A schedule of programs and entertainments to be given during the next few weeks at the Normal has been made out and includes a large number of varied activities. Following is the schedule as arranged by Prof. R. W. Fairchild:

Feb. 12—Entertainment; Prof. R. Denniss of Northwestern University.

Feb. 16—Normal orchestra dance, Normal gymnasium.

Feb. 17—Basketball; Superior vs. Stevens Point.

Feb. 21—Entertainment; Weatherwax Male Quartet.

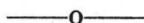
Feb. 22—Washington's birthday; legal holiday.

March 1—Concert; Cathedral Choir.

March 8, 9, 10—Third annual Central Wisconsin Inter-scholastic basketball tournament.

March 16—Faculty night, program.

March 30—Third quarter of school ends.

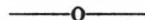


### ORCHESTRA.

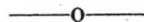
Under the able direction of Professor A. F. Pott the Stevens Point Normal orchestra has made splendid progress.

The equipment at the beginning of the year was somewhat limited, but the proceeds of a few small dances have been sufficient to buy such necessary material as music, drum equipment and a clarinet. The steady improvement in the work of the orchestra has been demonstrated at the various dances at which it has furnished music. Among these dances were the football dance, the home economics matinee dance, the Loyola afternoon tea and dancing party, and a few others of minor importance.

In addition to this work, the members of the orchestra took an active part in the oratorio given under the direction of Miss Shelton on Jan. 23rd.



"Watch your step." Keep to the right when passing through the hallways. You and your friends should not march down the main corridor six abreast.



### THE PRELIMINARY CONTEST.

The preliminary oratorical contest, held on Jan. 11th, was one of the best contests ever held at S. P. N. The program furnished by the contestants, altho long, was very interesting. The judges, who were Regent Geo. B. Nelson, W. B. Murat and W. E. Fisher awarded first place to Martin Paulsen, second place to James Hull and third place to William Gilson. There were ten contestants in

all, each speaker giving a good oration. A number of the students who took part in the contest will again be with us next year and it is hoped that they will help to make the contest then as good as, if not better than, this year.

The state contest this year when Martin Paulsen will represent S. P. N., is to be held at River Falls. A delegation of at least twenty-five students will represent S. P. N. at that time.

### CALENDAR.

- Jan. 3—The "Grind" is renewed.
- Jan. 4—More boys attend current events classes.
- Jan. 5—The second issue of the Pointer distributed.
- Jan. 6—Saturday. We start to pay for our whistle. Oshkosh 9, Stevens Point 33.
- Jan. 8—Normal stickers appear.
- Jan. 10—The Pointer campaign starts.
- Jan. 11—Oratorical contest. Ten contestants; M. Paulsen, first; Jas. Hull, second; Wm. Gilson, third.
- Jan. 12—Presidents of eight Normal schools appear upon the platform during general assembly and deliver short talks. Lawrence 18, Stevens Point 30.
- Jan. 13—We pay again for our whistle. N. B. Now we have one-half of it paid for.
- Jan. 17—Pointer contest ends; H. S. group are the winners.
- Jan. 19—Stout 5, Stevens Point 34.



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On Feb. 9th, "Disraeli," by Louis Napoleon Parks, will be presented by the Dramatic Club, under the direction of Miss Eimer. The plot is woven about Lord Beaconsfield's clever stroke in securing for the British the possession of the Suez canal. The play makes no claim to historical accuracy, but gives an effective picture of England about 45 years ago.

Act I. Johnson coughs into the phone after trying to wheedle a promise for some money from his mother. Mother makes inquiries about a cold.

Act II. Father talks to Albert.

Act III. Boy chums inquire what he said to father. "Why I also barked for dad."

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# ORGANIZATIONS

## FORUM-ATHENAEUM.

Last Tuesday evening the boys were entertained at a banquet arranged by the society. This is the first time in the last five years that anything like this had been attempted. It goes to show that the literary work is not a continuous grind; but that there is a certain amount of enjoyment that goes with it. At the banquet plates were set for forty-four guests. Pres. John F. Sims was toastmaster, and toasts were given by Professors Swartz, Delzell and Walter Smith. All those present certainly enjoyed a pleasant evening.

The next program of the society will be a mock trial to be given publicly on February 23rd. A great deal of preparation and effort has been put forth to make this a success. Attorney Hanna has kindly offered his assistance in putting this through. Everyone has been working faithfully and a successful production may be expected. Chas. Nelson has been chosen to act as the judge. The attorneys for the prosecution are Wm. Gilson and Henry Beglinger; for the defense Herman LeCaptain and Geo. Card. Witnesses have also been chosen, and an impartial jury has been selected for the occasion.



Forum-Athenaeum Society—Stevens Point Normal—1916-17

## ARENA NOTES.

Because of the sudden closing of the school before the holidays, many plans for the following week were interrupted. The bazaar and "Arena Day" have been postponed indefinitely.

On Monday, December 18, the society presented "Silas Marner" at the Gen. theatre and \$10.50 was raised. Owing to the closing of school, the proceeds were not so large as had been expected. The money will be used to pay for pictures in the Iris.

Most of the members have completed their costumes. The costumes will be worn for the first time at the contest between the Forum-Athenaeum and the Arena societies to be held in about two weeks. The contest is to be in the form of a model program.

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## LOYOLA CLUB.

About thirty couples enjoyed a tea dance given by the Loyola Club at the K. C. hall on Strongs avenue, Saturday afternoon, January 30. Music was furnished by the Normal orchestra. At 5 o'clock light refreshments, consisting of tea, wafers and nabiscos were served by the home economics members of the club. A very enjoyable time was had by all present.

The Loyolas are planning a "Dress Party," to be given at the K. C. hall on Friday evening, February 2nd. This will be a private party for the club members and their invited friends. Music will be furnished by the Normal orchestra.

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## GLEE CLUB.

The Glee Club, besides entertaining a number of times at assembly during the past semester, has furnished music for the Trinity Lutheran church and the

Baptist church, the Episcopal church, the oratorical contest and several farmers' institutes. The enrollment of the Club at present is as follows:

First Tenors—Michael Rybicki, Vern Vaughn, Harold Scribner, Ferdinand Hirzy, George Moxon.

Second Tenors—L. A. Carver, Carl I. Nelson, Otto Bacher, David Hintz.

Baritones—Herman LeCaptain, Michael Tovey, Bernard Precourt, Raymond Pett, Clyde Morley.

Bass—Arthur Held, Luther Anderson, Michael O'Keefe, George Storm, Lester Lambert.

Director—E. H. Waterman.

Accompanist—Miss Elba Slater.

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## Y. W. C. A.

At the regular meeting of this organization on Jan. 10th, the following girls wore Indian costumes and gave an interesting missionary program:

Grace H. Hanson—Story of a Little Papoose.

Esther Jones—What We, as Girls of the Y. W. C. A., Can Do for the Indians.

Sarah Dixon—The North American Indian.

Mae Jones—What the Y. W. C. A. Is Doing for Indians on Reservations.

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## Who's Who in S. P. N.

### JEFF AMES.



(A Most Accomplished Canine)

Jeff, (more properly, Jeff the Third) is now on his fifth year of faithful attendance at the Normal. There is some dispute as to what course he is taking. Some claim that it is grammar, basing their claims on the fact that he frequently associates with Prof. Ames. Others assert that he is a sort of critic teacher in the cookery department, which will respond to the influences of his teeth. Jeff is apparently much interested in literature, having been found literally devouring a copy of Shakespeare's Hamlet. (The book was bound in delicious leatheret.) Among his many other duties, he is self-appointed custodian of the men's rest room, though for some reason or other, Profs. Rogers and E. T. Smith prefer to keep their rubbers in their recitation rooms. The ability of young Mr. Ames along the theatrical line is well known. He has taken part in several of Prof. Smith's productions and if it were not for the fact that an actor has to lead such a dog's life, it is said that he would have adopted this as his profession. With his clear, loud, forceful delivery, Jeff makes an ideal "speaker,"

but owing to his connection with the faculty, he has never been able to go out for oratory or debate.

### "JOE" POPE."

(A Mighty Lively Corpse)

It would be somewhat difficult to find throughout the whole school a person who is better known than the one whose name graces the head of this paragraph. As everybody knows, His Holiness had his neck broken last fall at Lawrence and according to some papers, died shortly afterwards. At least, in the December number of Sporting Life, his name appeared thirteenth in the list of football victims for 1916. Despite this slight handicap, however, he returned a few weeks later to Appleton, and with the help of several accomplices, revenged himself upon his former murderers to the tune of 32 to 15.

When Mr. Pope graduates next June, he will have completed three years of splendid service to his school, especially in athletics. Each year he has been a regular member of both the football and basketball teams which represented the Stevens Point Normal. In the latter sport, there are few centers anywhere who are his equals in jumping. In football, he charges his opponents' line like a wild bull, and on the defensive he resembles the Rock of Gibraltar. In the Superior game he set a local record by kicking ten goals out of ten chances. Had there been an All-Normal eleven chosen last year for Wisconsin, there can be little room for doubt as to who would have been the right tackle.

Extra—Pope 30, Wharfield 18.

# Faculty

Prof. D. A. Swartz gave an address before the community club at Junction City on January 12. Mr. Swartz reports a splendid organization exhibiting a fine spirit of interest.

The following instructors conducted institutes on Jan. 13: Prof. A. J. Herrick at Rosholt, Prof. Delzell at Junction City, Prof. F. S. Hyer at Stratford and Pres. J. F. Sims at Amherst.

Pres. John F. Sims delivered the address of welcome at the rural teachers' institute held in the auditorium, Jan. 19. Other speakers included Profs. Jas. A. Delzell, E. J. Waterman, D. A. Swartz and A. J. Herrick. Interesting demonstrations were made by the Misses Allen and Luce.

Mrs. Elizabeth Short, librarian of the Normal school attended a library institute meeting at Manawa on Saturday, January 20. She talked on oral composition and debating as a means of promoting interest in using the school library. Mrs. Short outlined the material.

Pres. J. F. Sims will attend a meeting of the National Council of Education to be held in Kansas City on the 26th and 27th of February. Mr. Sims will deliver an address before the Department of Superintendence of the National Education Association there. His subject will be "Control of Educational Progress Through Professional Preparation."

Prof. Fairchild, who a year ago was appointed city bacteriologist and dairy inspector and has since been an active member of the city board of health, resigned on January 3, due to lack of support from the city and failure of opportunity being given to improve dairy conditions. Mr. Fairchild was acting without remuneration.

Doubtless many of the students do not know that the kindergarten work of the training department is done at the Garfield school on Clark street under the supervision of Miss Etta Bowstead. The students who have practice in this work include the Misses Florence Davis, Flora Belle Rogers, Pearl Bunen and Audrey Stewart. Miss Bowstead also teaches a class of rural course students in games, dramatization and manual expression for the lower grades.

Strange as it may seem, some of the teachers in this school are victims of ideas. The latest victim to succumb is Prof. Rogers, with the result that stickers in the school colors, purple and gold, bearing the words "state Normal School, Stevens Point, Wis.," have been placed on sale. They are commonly placed on suit cases and trunks, thus giving publicity to the school by students traveling. If any increase in attendance is noted in the future, we shall know to whom the credit is due—to the man with the new idea.

# Alumni

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The Misses Irma Ingram and Lillian Hephner, class of 1916, who are engaged as teachers at Grand Rapids, visited the school January 20.

Miss Gusta Quien of Scandinavia, who graduated from the Normal in 1912, was married to Harry McIver of Antigo, the latter part of December.

Chas. Fulton, S. P. N. 1913, and Miss Irma Montgomery of Kingston were married in Minneapolis during the Christmas recess. Mr. Fulton is school principal at Kingston.

It is interesting to observe that thirty of the teachers in the Stevens Point public schools are alumni of this Normal. Evidently our graduates are recognized as teachers of ability and merit.

Miss Pearl Richards of Eagle River, a member of the class of '15, who was especially active during her school life here, has recently accepted a position as teacher in the grades at Racine. Besides being very active in the different functions of the school here, Miss Richards also wrote and staged two plays for the Ohiyesa society of the school, during her two years here.

Miss Nellie Gustin, class of '13, was quietly united in marriage to Bert G. Fox, January 16th. The ceremony was performed at the Baptist parsonage in this city, the Rev. James Blake officiating. The bride has been engaged as teacher at Meehan and Amherst village for the past three years. The groom is one of Plover's progressive farmers. Mr. and Mrs. Fox have already started housekeeping in their newly built home in Plover.



One of our orators declares that last year at a certain date all of Germany's soldiers were mustard.

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Teacher—"John, tell me the comparative of sick."

John—"Worse."

Teacher—"If worse is the comparative, what is the superlative?"

John—"Dead."

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Prof Collins—"No one can do two things at once—(pause)— unless it might be Mr. Spindler, who is an abnormal man."

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Prof. Spindler, discussing self-sacrifice—"Now, Mr. Collins just wouldn't drink beer if he was dying and wouldn't drink tea or coffee—but he takes Peruna and eats horhound candy."

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There were two little boys out playing. One of them found a dynamite cap. They were anxious to shoot it, but were afraid. Finally, one said, "You shoot it and I will run the risk."

"Why are you round shouldered, Hap? Been leaning over someone's front yard gate?"

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Mr. Hyer—"What would you think of a primer which had 150 words in the first twenty pages?"

Miss Fritz: (muffled exclamation)—  
"Poor kids."

Mr. Hyer: (over-hearing exclamation)—  
"Yes, poor kids and poor teacher."

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January 9—M. R. loses his handkerchief with a sunrise border.

January 14—M. R.'s sunrise bordered handkerchief found and taken to the office.

January 15—M. R. calls at office and identifies property.

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Mr. Fairchild—"Can some member of the class give an example of deductive reasoning?"

Student—"Necessity is the mother of invention. Bread is a necessity. A steamboat is an invention. Therefore bread is the mother of the steamboat."

Willie's Mother—"Well, my son, what did you learn at school today?"

Willie—"I learned to say 'Yes, Ma'am,' and 'No Ma'am,' to things teacher said."

Willie's Mother—"And did you always do it, my son?"

Willie—"Uh-huh."

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Lecturer on writing—"Now you will make a number of circles as I count for you. Already; begin. Now how many have you? You should have six."

H. B.—"I have eight."

Lecturer—"What is the matter with him?"

Girl's voice—"Too fast."

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#### REMEMBER THAT—

A Freshman knows not and knows that he knows not.

A Sophomore knows not and knows that he knows not.

A Junior knows and knows not that he knows.

A Senior knows he knows he knows.

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Professor Spindler's idea of how we gained the Declaration of Independence: "You know the British in those times wore long silk stockings, low shoes and breeches. Well, they were hanging around Carpenter hall and there was an old horse stable near Carpenter hall. The hotter it got, the worse the horse flies got, and the more they bit the British. I tell you it isn't much of a joke being bitten by a horse fly, either. Well they just stuck it out as long as they could in that hot weather. Then they gave the whole thing up, signed the treaty, and went back to England."

War order from the Kaiser: "Send at once 2,000 Germans; if possible, send six Irishmen."

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A lively young fellow named Fisher,  
Fished for "fish" near the edge of a fissure.

A fish, with a grin,  
Pulled the fisherman in;  
Now they're fishing the fissure for Fisher.

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Christmas presents which Santa Claus brought to our good boys:—

Mikiey Keefski—New feeding machine.

Chas. B.—Three new subscriptions to the Pointer.

James M.—A ukulele.

Mike R.—New crochet handkerchief.

Lawrence M.—New pair of wind shields.

James Hull—New full sized looking glass, full length.

Leslie S.—A Lawrence pennant.

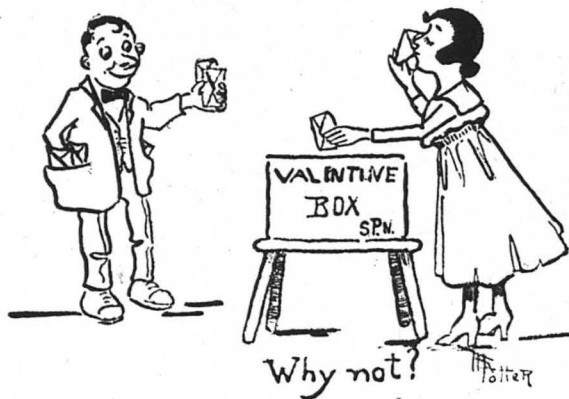
Alex P.—A pair of silk stockings.

Henry S.—A French briar.

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