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## LAWRENCE DEBATES RIPON AT THE HIGH SCHOOL.

In a hotly contested verbal battle the Lawrentians met and grappled word for word with the Riponites.

The question debated was Resolved: That Congress be empowered to override by a two thirds majority decisions of the Supreme Court which declare acts of Congress unconstitutional.

The affirmative pointed out the defects in the present system and showed how their plan was the practical solution to the problem.

On the other hand the negative argued that the method proposed by the affirmative was radical, revolutionary and was not demanded. They also stated that this supposed remedy would destroy the constitution, would destroy the balance of checks on the departments of government and it would subordinate the Supreme Court to the will of Congress.

The last two speakers on either side spoke forcefully and vehemently in support of their beliefs. The stout blonde who was the third speaker for Ripon, the affirmative, orated in true La Follette style and he was several times interrupted by applause from the audience which was captivated by his flashes of brilliant oratory.

It was a no decision debate; it would indeed have been hard to render a verdict in favor of either side for all the speakers stated their points clearly and eloquently. Both debate teams from S. P. N. attended and received helpful information which will aid them in their work. The question for debate between the Normal Schools is the same as that discussed last Thursday evening.

Following is the personnel of the teams:

Lawrence (negative)  
George Christianson  
Ray Fink  
Willard Hermath  
Ripon (affirmative)  
Goodwin Olson  
George Meyers  
Lester Burr

## MANLOVE GIVES ENTERTAINING PERFORMANCE.

Manlove, "The man of Many Faces," performed at the auditorium Monday, February ninth, comprising the fourth number of the Stevens Point Lyceum. Mr. Manlove is nationally known, and his expert interpretations of famous literary characters were very instructive and entertaining.

## MARDI GRAS --- OR RATHER THE LACK OF IT.

The Mardi Gras according to the best of sources is supposed to take place within the next three weeks, but according to the same sources it appears that preparations for it will be left until the last few days. We have endeavored our very hardest to find some definite information but every one, including those supposed to have charge, namely the Iris staff, seems to be vague on the subject.

It is too bad that matters must be left until the last moment. One of the faculty was heard to remark this, saying, "I suppose that as usual they will wait until the day before the event to begin work on the Mardi Gras."

The Pointer is often criticized, and probably often rightly, because they, as so many say, "never have any late news". We find that when we attempt to it is a harder task than the famous act of squeezing blood from a stone.

After which statements the keepers came for the poor reporter and he was taken away moaning "Impossible!" Impossible!"

## PRESIDENT SIMS ACTIVE FOR CHILD LABOR AMENDMENT.

Pres. Sims. will address the New's Club at Waukesha, Wis. Monday evening in the interests of the Child Labor Amendment. He has been engaged in sending out literature to the State Chairmen all over the U. S. In addition Mr. Sims will be in charge of the meeting of the Committee of 1,000 of the N. E. A., at the meeting of the Department of Superintendence to be held at Cincinnati, Feb. the 25th. This meeting which will be held at 2 P. M. at the Business Men's Building, will be in the nature of a Round Table Discussion, and the ways and means "for securing ratification of the Federal Amendment so vital to the childhood of America and consequently to the Nation itself."

Though the efforts toward ratification of the Amendment have met with failure in some of the states already, the Committee will not be discouraged but hopes by steady and consistent effort to bring about the adoption of this Amendment throughout the Nation.

## PROFESSOR CLARK HONORED.

Prof. Clark, of our Psychology Department has been honored by the appointment to membership of the Committee of 100 on the Study of Class-Room Problems. This is another evidence of recognition of faculty worth at our institution.

## COMING EVENTS

Feb. 13 7:30 PM Glee Club benefit movie — "The Unknown Purple" — Majestic Theatre.

Feb. 14 Pep Club dance — Normal Gym — 8:30 to 11:45.

Feb. 13 Northland College B. B. game.

Feb. 14 Loyola Club open House — K. C. Club Rooms.

Feb. 15 Round Table meets.

Feb. 20 Oshkosh B. B. game — (at Oshkosh).

Mardi Gras.

## DEGREE BILL TO LEGISLATURE.

At the meeting of the Board of Normal School Regents at Madison last week the following resolution was introduced by Regent Dempsey of Oshkosh, and unanimously adopted by a vote of the Board.

Resolution 552 provides "that the Committee on Educational Legislation be authorized to secure the introduction of the bill granting to the Board of Normal School Regents the power to confer degrees, in the form as approved by the Board, that this Committee also be authorized and directed to do whatever in its judgement is necessary in promoting the passage of the bill under the direction and with the advice of the Board's Legislative Committee; and that the Committee on Educational Legislation be authorized to attend any hearing or hearing on the bill and present arguments in favor of its passage."

Senator Hunt of River Falls, who is a member of the Normal faculty there, has introduced the bill to the present Legislature. Let us hope for and work for the passage of the most important bill for the Normal Schools.

## JUNIOR LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS ORGANIZE.

A Junior branch of the League of Women Voters was organized in S. P. N. Jan. 29, under the direction of Miss Neprud the traveling representative of the National League of Women Voters. Temporary officers were elected as follows: Mary Morgan, president; Beatrice Swancutt, secretary; and Lucile Collins treasurer. About fifteen girls are enrolled as charter members.

The League proposes to train girls in the intelligent use of the vote. At present the project under study is the Child Labor Amendment.

## OSHKOSH DOWNS POINT 46---19.

The Point lost its first home conference game of the season to Oshkosh 46---19. Oshkosh was represented by a fast, experienced aggregation of Basketball players, all five having played together for the last 3 years. Oshkosh possessed a powerful offense which the Point was unable to quell.

The Point was the first to score, but was unable to keep the pace set by the Oshkosh team with the result that they were on the short end of the 46---19 score.

## RIVER FALLS WINS FROM NORMAL.

The Normal traveled all day Thursday to get to River Falls for the game there. River Falls proved to be a well oiled machine with a deadly eye for the basket, making about 75% of their shots. The final score was 41---13, but is not an accurate account of the game itself.

## POINT PLAYS NORTHLAND FRIDAY.

On Friday, Feb. 13, Northland college of Ashland comes here to play the Normal team.

Northland is on a tour and boasts a good team. They have defeated Marquette Normal of Marquette, Mich., and should give us a good game. Every body Out!

In spite of the unfortunate reverses so far in our basket ball season, we are not discouraged. Let's show the boys that the true S. P. N. spirit is with them just as strong and loyal as ever.

## NEW STUDENTS HERE.

We welcome the new students who have entered here this week for the second semester. They are:

William Richardson, Stambaugh, Mich.; Francis Martin-dale, Barraboo; Benita Mack, New London; Marie Elstad, Whitehall; Hazel Price, Rio; Bernie Chapman, Tomah; Isabelle Mead, New Lisbon; Hilma Newman, Ironwood, Mich.; Anna Miller, Withee; Eugene Downer, Granton; William Curtis, Mauston; Alice Hoff, Medford; Theodora Hemp, Neillsville; Victoria Wipeli, Nekoosa; Anita Gehl, West Bend; Mary Herron, Wisconsin Rapids; George Cobb, John Glennon, Clyde Hunting, Earl Mace, Stevens Point.

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## AND INDEED, WHY NOT?

The average student "load" is eighteen hours, plus three hours of gym. It has been stated by a well-known faculty member that anyone who does justice to his work cannot conscientiously carry more than fifteen hours of work. This would indicate that S. P. N. students are either over-workin or dragging some subjects. Neither of these conditions is commendable. We do admit, however, that a certain amount of the reference work required in the courses is often undone or only partially completed. This is not due to any inefficiency on the part of the student body. A glance at some of the daily programs would verify this, for in most cases the student has only eleven free periods a week. Add to this lack of time the deplorable scarcity of books and it is easy to understand this apparent carelessness. One way of remedying this poor preparation is to have the library open about three nights a week. This would give the students a better chance to do their reference work thoroughly and thereby facilitate progress in classes. Almost all other schools of our class allow students the use of the library at night. Why aren't S. P. N. people given this privilege?

Anybody grouchy?  
Well, no!  
Everybody happy?  
Well, yes!  
All right, gang, let's go!  
On to Oshkosh!!

The Margaret Ashmun Club held its first meeting of the New Year, Wednesday evening, January 21. The two plays reviewed were "The Goose Hangs High," by Beech, and "The Twelve Pound Look" a one act play by Barrie. Borghilde Odegard was elected secretary-treasurer in place of Margaret Stenseth who graduates this semester. Club dues are to be paid at the time of enrollment. The program for the next meeting on Feb. 11, is to be under the direction of Mr. Knutzen. A Valentine party is being planned by the Social Committee.

The literary part of the program is in the hands of Edithe Kreuger, who will read Yeats play "The Land of Heart's Desire", and Margaret Forester who will review Howell's play: "The Mouse Trap."

## ANSWER TO LAST WEEKS CROSS-LIPPED PUZZLE.

In the last issue of the Pointer we published an account of an interesting discussion on whether girls keep their eyes open or closed during the process of osculation. We asked for answers and have been besieged by letters and, examining all answers, we select the one offered by Mr. Collins, realizing that his greater

experience in such matters gives most weight to his opinion. To him will go the prize of the American equivalent of 18,000,000 Russian Rubles or one cent in our money.

His decision is this: If the fellow is good looking the girl keeps her eyes open, and vice versa.

Wiesner was in the room when the decision was rendered and people near him heard him say, "My, Lord, and Virginia keeps her eyes closed!"

## DETECTIVE NEEDED.

A couple of weeks ago the Home Ec girls were having a party in the recreation room of Nelson Hall. In the midst of a pleasant evening all were disturbed by a seemingly tremendous explosion. Whether a bolshevik's bomb, an earthquake, or similar disturbing event was the cause or not, no one knew. An immediate investigation, however, revealed the remains of a giant fire crack-

Mr. Neale — (in Arith. class) Eddie, here is your cistern, (speaking of a problem) jump in.  
Eddie Plank — I did, but it was too deep.

# ORGANIZATIONS.

## THE LOYOLA CLUB.

The last meeting of the Club was held Thursday evening, February fifth. Mr. John Rellahan of the high school faculty gave a very interesting talk on the life of Saint Ignatius Loyola, the patron saint of the Club. Mr. Rellahan convinced his audience that Saint Ignatius did not appear on this earth with a halo around his head but that he was very human indeed.

New officers were elected for the second semester. Julia Van Hecke, president; Katherine De Grasse, vice-president; Marie Roman, secretary, and Maurice Willett, treasurer. The officers possess unusual ability and the Club will certainly continue to be a very successful organization.

Another open house! Where? At the K. C. Club Rooms. When? Saturday, February fourteenth. Come one, come all. Do your shopping, bring your friends, and eat at the Knights of Columbus Club Rooms.

## Y. W. C. A.

The Y. W. farewell party in honor of the girls who finished the first semester was well attended. Everyone enjoyed Mareva Lynn's musicale, the games, and the refreshments which were served afterwards.

Our cabinet lost two valuable members, our president, Blanche Reeder, and our World Fellowship Chairman, Marguerite Stenseth. Our Y. W. C. A. girls will greatly miss our able and loyal president and our conscientious World Fellowship Chairman. To fill these places Bernice Smoot, the former vice-president has been made president; Mary Morgan vice-president; and Claire McClellan, World Fellowship Chairman.

The meeting February 4th was devoted to an informal discussion of books. Miss Beulah Larsen led the discussion and gave us many interesting side-lights on some of the most recent novels and plays. Those discussed were "So-Big", "Lummux", "Certain People of Importance", "The Little French Girl", "Julie Cane", "The Lake", "Babbitt", "The Home Maker", "The Goose Hangs High", "Main Street", "The White Monkey". This discussion served as an incentive to spend more of our leisure time in reading good books.

## ROUND TABLE TO MEET.

The Round Table will hold a meeting Tuesday evening, February 15th, in Mr. Steiner's room. Mr. Watson will give us a very interesting talk on "Germs of War." Mr. Watson has delivered this talk to the Science Club before, and we feel privileged to be given the oppor-

tunity of having him deliver it to the Round Table. Mr. Lee Peterson will also take part in the program by playing a cornet solo.

Come to hear this fine program! This is the first meeting of the new semester. Let's make it a good start!

## SCIENCE CLUB.

At the last meeting of the Science Club which was held Dec. 16, 1924, a very interesting talk was given by the president Mr. Watson. The subject of his talk was "War Germs."

The members who have attended these meetings regularly all agree that the scientific talks and social discussions which follow are of a very instructive and educational nature.

It is hoped that the members who have so far failed to respond will be present at the remainder of the meetings.

This week the Club was favored by a talk by Dr. Coon of "River Pines Sanitarium". Dr. Coon has a nation wide reputation and realizing the value of a talk given by him the meeting was thrown open to all others besides the Science Club who were interested.

## HOME ECONOMICS CLUB.

The Home Economics Club started the new semester by giving a bunco party, Saturday Jan. 31, at Nelson Hall. Miss Allen gave an illustrated talk on "The Churches of Interest in the U. S." We also were entertained by Marjorie Stadl, giving a piano solo, and Mertice Hank and Lucille Lamb playing a duet. After the program bunco was played, Frieda Lobeck receiving first prize and Helen Steidtman receiving booby prize. Lollypops were served for refreshments.

The following girls are under nine weeks sentence at John F. Sims Cottage — The North Cottage seems to have a "sonny" group.

## North Cottage.

Cora Olson  
Hilda Thomson  
Alta Peterson  
Eleanor Menzel

## South Cottage.

Eleanor Withee  
Frieda Lobeck  
Evelyn Werner  
Lillian Lucia

This is one sentence that all Home Ec's look forward to.

The rural class under the supervision of Miss Wilson are now taking charge of the lunch room. They call themselves the "Hot Lunch Class".



Deva Roehborn and Nancy Bingham entertained their mothers at the South Cottage over the Week end.

We have several new members in our department. Benita Mack who has had one semester at Stout; Hazel Price of Rio, who has been attending Lawrence College, and Anita Gehl who is continuing her three year course.

Zula Balheim has returned to her home to recuperate. She expects to return next fall.

The manager of the Home Economics basket ball team, Rusty Withee, urges the girls to come out. Remember girls we received second place last year and this year we hope to win the cup. Show your pep and "Come on Out".

The Forum Club of the High School Department is planning a party for some time in the future. A matinee dance was held Friday to raise money for the occasion. No definite dates have been set, but it will take place before Lent.

#### RURAL.

Rural Life Club meets Monday evening, Feb. 9. A short program and the election of officers will take place. The debate planned for this meeting was postponed in order to give the debaters more time to arrange their material. The close of the last semester and the beginning of the new are busy times, and it was thought better results could be obtained by postponing it.

The Rural Basket Ball team played Auburndale High School Friday, Jan. 23. After a thrilling battle which kept the crowd in a continuous uproar our team emerged victors by a score of 31 to 18.

The B. B. team is not superstitious but after the Auburndale trip each one surely has learned to respect black cats. Contact with one more would surely have meant defeat.

The Stevens Point Womans' Club met Saturday, Jan. 17, from 2 to 5 o'clock in the Normal School sewing rooms where they made garments for the poor children of this city.

#### TWENTY THREE GRADUATE.

The following people received diplomas at the end of the first semester: — Marion Blatchley, Hazel Castner, Ruth Dixon, Gerald Donahue, Dorothy Carlson, Eleanor Kuffolk, Selma Kuhnert, Mable Lamb, Russell Maloney, Vella Stebbins, Dorothy Dixon, Esther Ebbe, Bernice Halvorsen, Leocadia Jaskulski, Freda Kathryn, Frances Kujah, Blanche Reeder, Marguerite Stenseth, Maycel Chatfield, Lael Ebbe, Louise Erickson, Anne McDonald, Anne Riley, Kathryn Jole.

In spite of the fact that the teaching market is quiet at this time of the year some of the above graduates are now at work in positions. Kathryn Jole is teaching in the Jr. High at Port Edwards, Esther Ebbe — Spencer High School, Dorothy Carlson — departmental work, Eau Claire. Several others of our graduates are in correspondence regarding prospective positions.

#### TWO DEBATERS LEAVE.

The debating teams have been unfortunate in the loss of two members, Irving Maurer and Arthur Rice. Both members of the negative team, have left school. Maurer is now working for the Hardware Mutual Insurance Co., and Rice is attending Northland college.

Their places will be taken by Maurice Willette and Leo Peterson. Although the loss will be felt the places will be very ably filled, and we will bend every effort to be victorious in our debates with La Crosse and Oshkosh.

#### STARTLING DISCOVERIES.

1. Bernie Laabs doesn't eat butter on pancakes.
2. Gum isn't sold at the counter.
3. Pres. Sims doesn't have rubber heels on his shoes.
4. Dormitory gravy doesn't come in barrels.
5. Betty Collins isn't Prof. Collins' daughter.
6. Red hair isn't as common as it would appear.
7. The person who took the part of Thisbe in "Midsummer Night's Dream" was a real "he."
8. The Rural Boys in Cookery aren't in training for later life.
9. The Pointer is a newspaper, not a stick with which to locate places on a map.
10. One of the lights in the auditorium is an autograph album.

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**QUITE TRUE.**

Said the violin to the harp,  
"You are a big lyre."

"You can never tell," said the bandit as he shot the only witness to his crime.

Burroughs — How do you know Chaucer dictated to a stenographer?

Helen Miller — Just look at the mistakes in spelling.

**IMPOSSIBLE.**

"Gentlemen," said the Member of Parliament waxing eloquent, "I smell a rat! I see it floating before me in the air! We must nip it in the bud!"

**MUST HAVE BEEN A FORD.**

Have you ever stopped to think what wonderful cars they used to have in the old days?— No, Well, old Elijah went to heaven on high.

Brakie on Northwestern: Hammond! Hammond!

Rudy Shultz: We ought to be to Hudson pretty soon. We're in the H's now.

**A MISS-LEADING STATEMENT.**

Cop — Don't you know you're not supposed to park on the drive?

Bill Morris — But officer, there's a miss in my car.

Wife — Carl, Carl, get up quick. The gas is leaking!

Husband — Aw, put a pan under it and come to bed.

**CANNED MILK.**

Bernadean K. — I wrote an article for the Pointer on Milk, but the editor condensed it.

"Did you sneeze, honey?"

"No! I didn't sneeze honey I sneezed sneeze. What do you think I am a bee-hive?"

Soaked — I think that a (hie) a street car jus' pass'd.

Damp — How do you know?

Soaked — I can shee its tracks.

**JUST SOME.**

Genevieve M. — Have you noticed that the boys of this school are just like Children?

May V. — No.

Genevieve M. — Some crave a bottle and some crave a sweet mamma.

**THE HYMN ROSE ON HIGH.**

The choir will now sing "The Hallelujah Chorus" after which there will be a collection taken for repairs to the roof."

**(OVERHEARD IN A SECONDARY EDUCATION CLASS.)**

Mr. Mott — "What happens to a fellow who cuts his board and room duty?"

Krantz — "He becomes a good athlete."

"But?"

"No."

"Just?"

"No."

"Once?"

"No."

"Please?"

"No."

"XXXXX"

"Oh Don, why didn't you shave?"

**LOVE.**

Love is like an onion  
You taste it with delight

But when it's gone you start to cuss;

"Why did I even bite."

He — I see you are wearing golf stockings.

She — How do you know?

He — I just counted 18 holes in them.

Why is Craney so wooley lately?  
He's been mixed up with a Lamb.

**We Wonder Too.**

Norma Weisner — We're going to have a chalk-talk in Assembly.

Alice Benson — Who is he?

Those who laugh last are often the dumbest.

Nicotine is so deadly that a drop of it on the end of a dog's tail will kill a man.

**PRACTICE.**

The problem, assignment, and yes, the review,

"I wonder if he'll come to-night,"

My aim is to teach them to add two and two.

I can't seem to get it just right.

Discussion, oh yes, "He hands such a line,

"And he's clever and witty, oh my;"

Motivation," I guess I'll wear my black dress,

"If he don't come I know I shall die."

My problem is this: Does Egypt produce

As much coal as Holland and France?

"He's sweet little fellow I hope when he comes

"He'll go to the Moose to that dance."

Drill, drill, my gracious, where did I leave off?

I'll read them a story, I gues.

I hope no one comes to visit my class.

I should worry; now I'll go and dress.

Claire McClellan

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