Eau Claire Drops Last Conference Game to Point

Boone and Peterson Play Last Game For Alma Mater

The basketball team closed the season with a clean win from the team which had previously beaten it by the greatest margin any team played. The Purple easily outclassed the Westerners all during the first half, slowed up some in the second period when the Eau Claire squad made the Pointers step to keep pace.

Point Gains Lead

The Purple had exceptional luck in shooting all through the first half, firing down the sidelines and in behind the Eau Claire defense and sinking ringer one after another. When the visiting team was unable to break through the Point defense at any time during the first half, the brilliant guard of MacDonald, Weronke and Vrobel left the Eau Claire defense virtually impotent and unable to work effectively.

Confliction Develops

Boone was put out on personals when referee Doehling claimed that the Purple captain had the limit and Hunting claimed that Peterson had made one of the errors. The referee settled the matter after an argument lasting for several minutes.

Captain Boone and Laurie Peterson have played their last conference games for the Purple, and the next year's squad is going to feel their loss deeply. Both have been strong and consistent players, adding points for several minutes.

The score at the half was 20-11 with the Point in the lead. The whistle blew with the score 29-25, but Vrobel was fooled just as the time ended, and added another point by his free throw, making the total 30-25.

Point, La Crosse Tie In Debate

Stevens Point and La Crosse were tied last Friday for championship of the central triangle of the state college debating league. Arrangements are to be made for another debate between these two teams to settle the championship in order that the winning team may participate in the league debate.

All affirmative teams won the decisions in the triangle debates held Friday between Stevens Point, Oshkosh, and La Crosse. The Point affirmative team won from the La Crosse negative team by a percentage score of 100 to 96. Professor Root of Lawrence College was judge.

At Oshkosh, the negative team lost to Oshkosh affirmative, 100 to 96, with Prof. A. Weaver of the University of Wisconsin as judge. The La Crosse affirmative won at home from Oshkosh, 100 to 90, thus leaving La Crosse and Stevens Point tied for high honors with a total of 196 each.

Iris Campaign To Close at End of Week

Announcement comes from the "Iris" office that the order for "Iris" must go in the last of next week. There are according to the reports of the "Iris" office about forty students who haven't subscribed but intend to do so. The books are coming out early this year and they are, from early indications, going to be well above the average. We have lost no one and the folk are going to be in a big hurry to get their orders in.

Set Short Story Contest Rules

The Margaret Ashmun Club has announced its first annual Short Story Contest which will close April 12th. Arnold Malmy, president of the Margaret Ashmun Club, in announcing the contest Thursday February 24th in the assembly outlined the conditions which will govern the subscription of manuscripts by contestants.

Contrary to the contest of last year which was open only to members of the Margaret Ashmun Club, the contest this year will be open to any member of the student body of the Stevens Point Normal School. Two prizes will be offered; one prize will be fifteen dollars ($15.00) and the second prize will be ten ($10.00). In addition to the monetary prizes the winners of the prizes will be given invitations to become members of the Margaret Ashmun Club if they are not already members.

Six conditions governing the contest are as follows:

1. The story must be in manuscript form; typewritten, double-spaced, margins of an inch on each side and the bottom, and two inches at the top; title page with title of story, name of writer and number of words.
2. The story cannot be less than 1,500 or more than 2,500 words in length.
3. The story must be in the hands of president of the Margaret Ashmun Club not later than April 12th.
4. Any theme may be chosen, and the story winning first place will be published in the POINTER.

High School and Rural's Get Off to Bad Start

The first series of games in the G. A. A. basketball tournament proved to be thrillers in every sense of the word. The colorful suits worn by the players added to the fantastic impression, forming a kaleidoscope of flashing greens, whites, blues and others.

The first game was a walkaway for the Home Ees, who dropped in baskets indiscriminately until the scorer perspired trying to work his pencil fast enough. The Kitchen Mechanics have been ably coached and they are all good players. Helen Lohr and Florence Shorff were the outstanding members on the hash slingers squad, being almost infallible shots. The Rurals had poor luck with their shooting, being unable to penetrate the Home Ee defense to any great extent. The final score was 58-14.

H. E. Loses to Primaries

The High School had luck in the same proportion as the Rurals in their game with the Primaries. Joe Gunning did a good job and his team had a number of star players, some of whom have played together during their High school career. The Primaries have a fast and consistent-playing team and should stand a good chance of competing for final honors. The score at the end of the last quarter was 29-7. Although the High Schools lost, they have a good bunch if their luck holds, and ought to show up well.

At the time the POINTER went to press, the Home Ees had won last night's games. However judging by Monday's battles, the Home Ees are the class of the tournament. They play as a team, they have the necessary technique and are "all there" when it comes to shooting.

Doudna Compliments Local Paper on School Stand

E. G. Doudna, Secretary of the Wisconsin Teachers' Association, in a letter to the Journal, dated February 24, 1927, compliments the paper on its strong editorials on the Waukesha 11-11 affair, namely the question of whether or not we have too many Normal schools in Wisconsin. Doudna says there is a lot of reaction against the normal schools. Much of the criticism is unfair, and probably some is caused by jealousy, both in the interest of the normal schools as a whole and in the service in pointing out the very fundamental truth, that Wisconsin has not now an over-supply of teachers with qualifications which our schools deserve."
Lest You Forget

Not so many weeks ago a new semester started. A new chance was offered: a clean slate. You decided you would work harder this semester. You admitted that you had not worked as hard last semester as you might have. You were a little disappointed in your grades. You felt that you were worth more than that.

Six weeks of the new semester have passed. A third of this last semester. Your ardor is a little cooled now. Working as diligently as you intended has become tedious. Your first flush of ambition is fading. You are beginning to slacken. That, you remember, was what happened last semester. Will you slide until the close of THIS semester? You wonder, again, why your grades are disappointing. NOW is the time to throw off that lethargy. NOW is the time to hit the ball.

No one else is working for YOU. You are working for YOU. Alligator tears at the semester’s end are a form of poor sportsmanship.

Sylvester Lives

Final Chapter

There are times, and times.

Times when Sylvester would have liked to have pampered Kelsey visit him. But to visit him here, in jail, was horrible.

If Sylvester could have escaped from his cell as he saw Pamela approching, he would have done it, but as it was, there was no possible evasion of that smile of her's. She had said something to him which he thought resembled a greeting, but he had been pre-occupied, and now as she stood before him he looked wistfully, helplessly, into her eyes.

She knew he had been arrested; taken from a house being raided for moonshining. What could he have been doing there? Other women? Perhaps. And he had told her—that one night when he folded her into his arms and kissed her, that ravishing evening on the veranda—that he loved her. She had believed him, in her ecstasy. Then that episode when it seemed that they were married, and each other; his improvised date with Ellyn Foulkes and the disastrous collapsing of his relations with both of them. It was, remembered painfully, that this man before her was indeed the man who had said he loved her. But that seemed strange.

"I know how it looks to you," assured Sylvester, "and I suppose it wouldn't do much good to tell you any more about it."

"No, Syl, you couldn't know how it looks to me," she said.

"Yes—"

"No, she stopped him," you couldn’t, for you are just a big, well-meaning, but listless acting boy."

"Boy?"

"Yes, Sylvester, boy."

"I knew you wouldn't understand, but I do. Far better than you like to think. Far better than I ought to think. This is a queer place to find you; here in this jail with an unsightly group of people against you, but it could not be otherwise. I could not talk to you while you had your freedom, for you were too busy living your life. You hadn't time to listen. You were probing into life and finding surprises that you had heard about and that you wanted to investigate.

"I knew all about life before I knew of this school."

"Of course. Story-book life: the kind that fictitious characters live, but not the kind that you could live."

"Are you trying to preach to me, Sam?"

"Perhaps. I've got you in a place now where you can't escape. You'll just have to listen. Let's talk business."

"Frank? Do you mean me?"

"I mean that I believe the only time you have ever been frank with me was the night you told me you loved you. You couldn't help it that night. There was a moon, a blue sky, quietude and all those other things that make men say silly things—things that revile when they think of them afterward—and you did the natural thing."

"Sylvester looked down, unable (Continued on page 4.)"
NEGATIVE DEBATE TEAM GIVES THEATRE PARTY

On Saturday evening, March 5, the negative debate team entertained a theatre party for the affirmative team. As the scores for competitive audience-decision debates were equal up until the final debate Friday, it was decided on the way home from a debate trip to Waupaca, that whichever team won in the final debate should be entertained by the loser. The show was a particularly amusing one — "Harold Lloyd in 'Kid Brother'". Ten people were in the party, including Prof. and Mrs. Burroughs, who chaperoned.

Dear Society Editor:

I am writing this letter to you, because I believe that it comes under your department, and hoping that you will do something about it. I have been wondering what the Juniors intend doing about a Junior Prom. It's very near to Easter (Only one week of Lent has gone, but that's alright, I have my Easter hat anyhow), and some sort of arrangements should be made so that this affair will be the best of any (since it's the first). If you have room please print this letter someplace where the Juniors will be sure and see it. As ever,

Joe College,

P. S. When calling for your girl to take her to a Prom is it advisable to bring a wheelbarrow, or let her walk?

RURALS PLAN DANCE ON ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Here's a chance to break the monotony of Lent. The annual dance given by the Rural department on St. Patrick's Day will be held soon here. This is one of the social highlights of the year and promises to furnish entertainment galore to those who attend. Invitations will be out before long, so start making your dates.

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"But," she began soothingly, "you can take that back — — if you want to. You can forget that you ever told me that — — if you want to. And then we can talk about life as it is, rather than as we suppose it to be. You can forget that you kissed me, and I'll forget it too — — if you want me to."

No Pam — Sylvester was able to see without his glasses. But it isn't that. I don't want to forget all that, but I know I can't keep you from forgetting it, if you want to." Pamela stood before him, silently. Before him, but beyond him. He was behind the bars, and it was not until this moment that he appreciated it all. Behind the bars!

He recounted how it had all come about. Cluneville, the village of his birth had been intolerable. He had wanted to live life in his own manner. Unrestrained. School, Pamela Kelsey, that glorious night on the veranda — that night! — Elyon Fonkles that Hallowe'en party, "Dud" and the trip to Regina's house, the "cops" and now this! Cell! To this his desire to live life had led him! Jail!

He looked up, reached through the bars and took Pam's hands into his own. "Living life! It would be worth living on the other side of those bars; it had been his desire, a false fantasy of life, that had been responsible for his being put here."

"Pamela placed her face very close to the bars and Sylvester caressed her lips lightly with his own. "Pam," he said, "life can only be lived in reality."

THE END.

To the Student Body: —
I wish to take this opportunity to thank everyone for the presentation made me in assembly. I appreciate the fact that even though beaten, the students have taken this opportunity to show their esteem.

Asel Weldon

Campus Gleanings

Harold Paukert has styled himself a performer of miracles. He dropped a basketball through the ring from the other end of the floor and never touched the hoop.

Now that Lent has come to pass, the candy counter has a slack trade —— when it’s closed.

Keep your weather eye open or you may get into a collision. Krake and Krause are practising for the mile, along the shaded city walks.

In the spring, the young men's faney turns to thoughts of — work next summer.

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CLASSES IN NUTRITION
ORGANIZED BY NURSE

The city school nutrition classes which have been carefully organized by Miss Britz, city nurse, have been placed in charge of some of the Senior Home Economics Students. The students have their classes directly in charge and are under the supervision of Miss Britz.

Each Student teacher has ten or twelve children who are very much under-weight. It is the task of the teacher to bring each of these children, by concentrated endeavor, up to its normal weight. The mothers of the children are invited to attend each class session.

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