Twenty District High Schools in Forensic Contest

Baseball Squad Work For Swedes

Finishing up several weeks of diamond practice, the Pointers took the field against Scandinavia College last Tuesday and lost a foreign ground, 17-11.

On May 15th the Swedes will travel here to combat the Pointers on the local sand, giving the home folks the first chance to see the team in action.

In a practice tilt with Plainfield nine some time ago, the College men showed up strong in 11-1 victory. Frank Wierenzinski and Harold Pankert were the head actors for the Point, helped by air tight support in the infield.

The thirteen suits are filled up with home and muscle, and all are anxiously awaiting the southern trip over Memorial Day.

Don’t forget the base-ball benefit dance tomorrow night in the gym. Good music and a good time assured, your financial help is badly needed. Come out and bring the girl friend.

Let’s Go!

More Students Sign Contracts To Teach

The people who have obtained positions since the last issue of the Pointer are: Frank Wierenzinski as Principal of a Grade School in Plainfield, Harold Klose of Antigo and third to January 1. Burroughs.

Wausau Winter In Ornato

Carl Rudell of Wausau who delivered the 1906 W.C. O. Stots is a leading man in oratory Friday evening and Angie Conner of Marshfield, the oration for the district, will be given second place. Third place was given to Calvin Rittenhouse of Plainfield, and the first was named "Creation Citimple." In addition Miriam Goul of Plainfield was awarded second first place having placed first in other tournaments reading in the afternoon. Second place was won by Alice Quinns, of Marshfield, with "Janie Ann’s Experience." And third place by Ellen Johnnson of Tripoli whose subject was "A Dog’s Life In the City".

Contest Successful

The winners of first place in each of the categories will be placed in the state contest to be held at Madison later in the spring. The two speaking programs were well attended. There were approximately 150 people present in the gymnasium, but the arrangement of Burroughs was in charge of arrangements for the contest. The public speaking classes were charged of ticket of sale and report that the contest was a financial success.

The judges for the afternoon were Professor Nevan James of Oshkosh, Professor William E. Lye, Professor Elle Claire, and Professor J. J. Rellihan of the local college. In the evening Miss Bertha Huse placed Professor Rellihan in the judging for the oratorial and declamatory contests.

Point Prof's Travel As Forensic Judges

Professor L. M. Burroughs and Professor Joseph C. Matt will be the guests of Oshkosh and Eau Claire State Teachers Colleges respectively on May 11. They will be members of the district high school forensic contests which compose the speakers association. The contests are identical to that which Central College sponsored the past week end.

It will be remembered that Professors Bridgeman of Eau Claire and James of Oshkosh performed similar duties at the contest here. It is customary among the colleges of the section of the state to exchange judges in this manner.
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WE ARE GLAD TO HAVE YOU

Although all students, except special students, enrolled in the State Teachers' Colleges are enrolled with the agreement that they will become teachers for the state, the agreement is by no means iron-clad. It may be assumed with reason that the state of Wisconsin is more anxious to retain the Teachers' College students as concerns the fulfillment of the agreement. There is no question but what the state does not intend to force anyone to become a teacher—even though he is enrolled in a Teachers' College.

The fact is recognized that young people just out of High School are not using statement as to what they will do after their life work should be completed but they must do something so many go off to the easily accessible Teachers' Colleges with the hope that they will like it.

But not all people enjoy the teaching profession. Many are, disillusioned after a few attacks on lesson plans, practical teaching, conference, non-sensitive, non-understanding. They are absentees from Teachers' Colleges are accepted on exactly the same basis as those from any Collegiate institution. Among the principles which are followed are these:

1. Every transcript is treated on its merits. There is no flat credit.

2. In evaluating credits from other institutions, the general rule of the College of Letters and Science that its students must carry fifteen credits per semester in order to secure a year's full credit in two years. A student must be enrolled in the Teachers' College on an equal footing with its own. It means further that no person need hesitate to enroll in a Teachers' College because of a desire to attend a university although unable to do so.

The proper national procedure for most people intending to procure higher education would be to enroll in the Teachers' College where credits earned are good, where living expenses are lower, and where they are much enjoying perhaps more can be learned in the first two years than can be learned at a university. Then, if the student finds that the teaching profession does not appeal to him or that other fields beckon, he should change, for he will be losing nothing.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

It has been the writer's privilege to attend the Central Wisconsin State Teachers' College for a term of three years; not a long time to be sure, but one long enough for some observation of conditions. One of the most noticeable of the changes which have come about is the increased interest in teaching which pervades the student body. The quality of the average student has doubled, and he seems to be here because he wants to learn something. The situation is beginning to show too, in the point of view which Superintendent held toward the School. They seem to feel confident that they can come here for teachers who will get results. Crack metropolitan school systems which will hire green teachers from a school cannot afford to misplace confidence; and this school happens to be one of the few which holds the honor of supplying such teachers. One gets a superabundance of self-assurance when he realizes that he has been trained by an institution with prestige, instead of an output-at-all-costs Teacher-mill. There's life in the old horse yet!

BARON CASEY.

APPLIED MATHEMATICS

Keith had been explaining fractions to his class. Wishing to see how much light he had been, he inquired:

"Now John, what would you rather have, one apple or two halves?"

"Two halves."--

"Oh John," exclaimed Keith a little disappointed, "Why would you prefer two halves?"

"Then I could see whether it was bad inside."--

WE THOUGHT SO

Dorothy: "Papa, why does Nancy Class wear a beard?"

Mr. Davidson: "Because he has so many Christmas neckties, daughter."

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WHY NOT?

Helen: "So Frank won a golf trophy?"

Pfft: "My, do they give cups for that, too?"

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Mr. Burroughs: "Have you ever done any public speaking before?"

Water Suad: "Well, I proposed to a girl over the telephone in my home town."

Of all sad words

Of tongue or pen

The saddest are:

"Now, John, I'll be ready in just a minute."

THAT A HOME EC FOR YA!

Miss Church: "What impressed you the most while in Europe?"

Miss Allen: "The French peasants singing the mayonnaise."

Many a girl calls herself a live wire because everything she has on is charged.

SHE WIRIS POP FOR MONEY

Mr. Rogers: "What can you tell me about nitrates?"

Laura S.: "Well, or—do you consider them a lot cheaper than rate dyes?"

Dead men tell no tales, but sometimes their tombstones are awful lies.

In SUNDAY SCHOOL

Leonard Nygren: "Who was Eve?"

Johnny: "The first chicken that raised a man's garden."

MODERN RED RIDINGHOOD

Mr. Relihan: "What is an opportunistic thing?"

Happy: "One who mates the wolf at the door, and appears the next day in a fur coat."--

BUMPING THE BUMPS

"What is a detour?"

"The roughest distance between two points."

BUT SHE DOESN'T!

Teacher: "I'm only punishing you because I love you."

Johnny: "I wish I was big enough to return your love."
Dance Sponsored by Base Ball Club

Friday, May 11th, the Baseball Club is sponsoring a dance to be held in the College Gym. All of the proceeds are to be for the expense of the trip.

Melvin Donner is the Chairman of the committee, and is assisted by Keith Berens and Nick Allen. The best-of-nine is to be obtained and a good time for all is being planned.

The Baseball Club is unable to obtain any money from the Athletic Association and this makes it necessary for them to earn money in other ways. Everyone is urged to come out.

Members of Y.W.C.A. To Convene Tonight

Last Thursday, May 3rd, the Y. W. C. A. heard a very splendid talk given by Mrs. Whitney. Her topic was on the development of the mental, spiritual, and physical part of our bodies.

Saturday, May 5th, the Y. W. C. A. had their installation banquet at the Baptist Church. There was an address given, and after the installation of new officers took place at this banquet.

Last evening of this week, May 10th, the Y. W. C. A. has another treat in store for you all.

Y.M.C.A. Hears Talk By Ferdinand Hirzy

The Y. M. C. A. held a regular meeting on Thursday evening. At this time Ferdinand Hirzy showed some of the moving pictures which have been taken of the Central College students and faculty. These pictures will be used to advertise the college throughout the state.

Before showing the pictures, Mr. Hirzy reminded the audience of his college days and compared them to the present. He also mentioned the "esprit de corps" of the American Legion and suggested that the Y. M. C. A. acquire this attitude. It will, beyond doubt, be worthy of the attention of the whole student body to keep in mind the need for more "esprit de corps."

Rural Life Members Hear Noted Speakers

The Rural Life Club met Monday evening, May 7th, in the Rural Assembly, Dr. Soudick, the main speaker, spoke on "Goiters." The 4-H club members put on a practical demonstration of their work. This consisted of the songs and games which they lead which will be called "Sleepy Hollow." It was also announced that the Rural Life Club is now being organized and will soon be ready for presentation.

Show College Films To School Literati

The Margaret Ashman Club met Wednesday, May 9th at 7:30 in the Auditorium. A new President and Secretary were elected for the coming year. Frank Joswick, the former President and Secretary, delivered his farewell address. Miss Anna Pugh led group singing. A report on a current fiction book was given by Brad Willett, who made Gray who was a friend and teacher of Miss Margaret Ashman when she was a student here, gave a very interesting biography of her.

Through the courtesy of Mr. Hirzy, the pictures depicting College life at S. P. C. T. C. were shown. Refreshments were served and after this Margaret Ashman Society completed a very successful season.

Nelson Hall Notes

Miss Mary Hughes made a successful personal appearance at Humboldt on Friday. She returned to Stevens Point with a contract signed to teach home economics there next year.

Miss Marjorie Poole also made a successful personal appearance this past week end. She left at 6 a.m. on Saturday morning for Wauyanewa and returned on the noon train with her contract to do departmental work for intermediate and grammar grades.

Last Friday was another happy day in Nelson Hall with the public speaking contestants and their coaches. They all said Miss Renee's 40 cent dinner was a regular 75 cent one elsewhere and they're right.

Miss Pearl Fauske has recovered from a rather severe case of influenza.

Nelson Hall was about deserted on Saturday at dinner time on account of the attendance at the installation banquet in the parlors of the Baptist Church.

Miss Margaret Whitman visited relatives in Amberst over the week end; Dorothy Olson, in Montic: Wilmot Birds, in Colby; Irene Nourse and Marjorie Allen in Wisconsin; Emmie Hickey and Louise Schmidt, in Athens; Florence Haire, in Wauyanewa; Arlyn Johnson, in Iola; Louise Meiners, in Westfield; Marjorie Poole, in Shawano; Alice Hopen, in Wisconsin Rapids; Margaret Null, in Neenah; Emma Wood, Edna Trikey, Ruth Williams, and Sadie Stroehbech, in Plainfield; Dorothy and Margaret Cowley, in Wau- naw. When we have airplanes, we'll all go home on Friday night.

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He also puts it as follows; 45% of the highest third in scholarship are in the highest third salary rank group while only 24% of the middle third in scholarship and only 22% of the lowest third salary rank group are in the highest third salary group.

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