Ramos' Group Is Well Received

Last Monday evening a large audience was charmed with the music of the Ramos Mexican Orchestra. The concert, which was offered as one of the free concerts, was given in the college auditorium.

The musicians brought the atmosphere of old Spain with their music and their costume. Rafael Ramos wore the loose shirt, snug and colorful, and his slender bowler hat. His three sisters were sparkling mantillas and full-skirted, white-colored silks, with overskirts of white lace.

The program was well varied. There were lively marches, sweeping waltzes, lilting songs, and sweet melodies enhanced by the tremolo of the violin and the mellow sound of the mandolins. Mr. Rafael Ramos' violin music was exquisite. The three sisters, Ross, Lape, and Concepcion, played with all the skill and careful intonation that the great variety of songs required. Mr. Resquilo Ramos showed himself to be indeed an accomplished pianist.

A particularly interesting part of the program was the singing of Miss Rosa Ramos, and the trios in which two sisters joined. It is seldom that a family organization of this sort is seen. They play and sing together perfectly in harmony.

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CALENDAR
March 20 — Y. W. C. A.
March 22 — Junior Class Party.
March 24 — "Cahillagran," presented by the Loyola Club.
April 18-22, inclusive — Easter Vacation.

SIGMA ZETA ORDER ELECTS NEW PLEDGES

Initiation Held Tuesday Evening

Sigma Zeta, the national honorary fraternity of which the former Science Club is now a chapter, has again elected new members to its ranks. The people who were invited to join are students who have shown marked interest and excelence in science or mathematics.

Nine people have accepted invitations to become active members of the fraternity. In order to be eligible for active membership a student must have a major or minor in science or mathematics. The average of the new students must be eighty-four or higher, and at least eighty-four in his other subjects. He must be either a member of the Junior or Senior class.

A junior or sophomore who has had one semester of science or mathematics, who intends to major or minor in science or mathematics, and who has a good scholastic average, and who receives a two-thirds vote of the active members is eligible to associate membership.

The initiation ceremonies took place Tuesday evening, March 18. The new members are as follows:

Active: Irene Skutch
Kermit Frater — Williar Stowell
Robert Penich — Helen Jordan
R. H. Reid — Niwilla Stiller
Theodore Rozelle — Marian Swan
Evelyn Yimme

Class of 1939

Home Ec’s Plan
May Day Event

The Home Economics Club is planning something entirely new in the year’s program of social events. They have already begun work on a Garden Party to be given on the evening of May 5.

The Home Economics Club is setting a precedent in sponsoring this semi-formal May festival. It will be a dance fashioned after a garden party. There will be special numbers and good music. Since the “Home Ec” are sponsoring the party, refreshments of the best kind will of course be served.

This is an event to look forward to. The committee, which are listed below, have already formulated many of their plans.

President: Fern Pugh, chairman
First Vice-President: Alice Palsenbach
Secretary: Therese Lepinski
Treasurer: Jennie Honolulu
Business Manager: Cecilia Bricato, chairman
Treasurer: Linda Schmidt
Finance: Helen Hummes
Assistant: Elaine Mueller
Program: Irene Skutch, chairman
Entertainment: Estelle Buhl

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FORENSIC GROUP MORNING

LEAVE THIS MORNING FOR PLATTEVILLE TO ENTERTAIN IN FARTAGE ENROUTE

Marie Mollen

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Leaving Stevens Point to represent Central in the St. Croix Oratorical Contest, which takes place this week-end at Platteville State Teachers’ College.

Marie Mollen will deliver her oration on the theme of "The Story of Wisconsin," the oratorical contest tomorrow morning. Clarence Tomke will speak in the European oratorical contest tomorrow morning.

Tonight thewiites from all of the colleges will be entertained by the hosts college. Tomorrow morning at ten o’clock the national oratorical contest will be held in the Normal Forensic League business meeting. Each college will be represented at this meeting.

At the close of the business meeting, the judges of the speakers will deliver their topics. A general assembly will follow. During this meeting the students of the Normal Forensic League will be represented. All the wins of the speakers will be announced as grand prizes.

The judges of the speakers are Professor Francke of Lawrence College, Professor Budy of Ripon College, and Miss Nelson, assistant professor of speech at the University of Illinois.

The title of Marie’s Oration is “American Idealism.” Orville Deuel of Eau Claire will speak on “Security.” La Crosse has entered Charles Johnson whose oration is entitled “Our Business.” Osbhi Dickerson of Oshkosh will speak on “The Gaunt Spectre of Unemployment.” Carl Hugill of Platteville will deliver an oration on “College for the Average.”

“The Peril of Power” is the topic of Le Roy Lubar of River Falls. Mr. McCue of Superior will speak on “Where Peace will be.” Ellen Marshall will represent Whitehall with her oration, “The Permanent Court of International Justice.”

This morning at eleven o’clock Marie and Clarence will stop at Portage to speak before the high school students of that city. From there they will continue on their trip to Platteville.

The student body and faculty send wishes for success with the delegation.
FAIDS AND FASHIONS IN EDUCATION

A LMOST as far back as anyone can remember, the big item held foremost in the educational curriculum is that of moral training. When the constitution of Rhode Island and Providence plantations was adopted, moral training was recognized as one of the functions of the public school. Although this was perhaps not the first recognition of the desirability of moral training in this or other countries, it is an example of official action in the part of governmental agencies almost a century ago. From that time to this, the desirability of utilizing agencies for character development has been mooted almost continuously.

How this training was to be carried on was the next question. Some authors suggested one subject and another as vehicles for this purpose. Still others indicate possibilities of using all school subjects. How much has actually been done in a measure, remains a question. We read of various subjects as an aid to character training. Of course, when the desirability of such a training Phase 6GW attracted popular attention, magazines, papers and books added fuel to the flames. Publications and oragnizations offered rewards for development of certain virtues. Such groups as the Boy Scouts, Camp Fire Girls, Girl Scouts and the Girl Reserves were formed and set up standards calculated to carry on this great plan of character training.

Do the present attempts differ in quality or in effect from the early ones? Will talking about the virtues insure the development of a virtuous generation? There is no question that the moral code of today is being subjected to great stress and strain. Instead of attempting "to sell" the wellworn idea to the rising generation by talking, why not devise a means of bringing youth fact to face with something specific and dynamic? Continual "harping" has certainly given no evidence of immediate or startling results.

"A college education can be made a life-long experience, rather than a procrassulation for four short years." — ARMITHORL D. THORNDIKE.

"The average young person today looks upon its parents as a pair of well-meaning and usually capable and dependable servants conveniently furnished by thoughtful nature." — NEVALL BERT.

Jokes of teachers all reminds us.

"We can make our grades sublime, by bursting forth in joyous laughter, At the designated time.

Aviator (seeing clouds of smoke) — "Say what you do mean by dropping a bomb like that?"

Fair Passenger — "I beg your pardon that was my vanity case.

Johnny (saying his prayers after seeing his first football game) — "And dear God, please Mamma and Papa, U Baur, Rah!

If that philosophy which says that a thing exists only in a person's mind is true, how many of us would like to change our kids when we get our quiet papers back?

Tiny — "Why do you always look at the sidewalk when you walk?"

"To me if my feet are still in front of me.

My girl's father is an undertaker. He has invented an automobile hearse. Folks are just dying to ride in it.

"Who was the first one that came from the ark when it landed?"

"You are wrong. Don't the bible say that Noah came forth. Then there must have been three ahead of him.

Marie M. (after Sunday School) "Mother, was Methuselah the man who said "Never say die!"

"Did I ever tell what a fright I got my wedding day?"

"To me you should not speak that way of your wife.

Mr. Smith: "Dick, what was the stone age?"

Dick: "That was the period when man axed a woman to marry him.

A patient teacher was trying to teach a small boy to read with expression. "Where — are — you — going?" read Johnny horizontally and with no accent whatever.

"Try that again," said the teacher.

"Read as if you were talking and notice that mark at the end,"

Johnny studied the expression in the pronunciation mark a moment and an idea seemed to dawn upon him. He read triumphantly. "Where are you going little butter book?"

John: — "Are you in favor of clubs for women?"

"I believe in education, absolutely, if kindness has no effect."

First Youth: "I asked her if I could see her home.

"Brookside." — "And what did she say?"

First Youth: "She said she would send me a picture of it."?

Bill: How do you play hockey from a correspondence school?

Tom: I send them an empty envelope.

Teacher: Johnny, why is Ireland the richest country in the world?

Johnny: Because its capital is always Dublin.

JAMES McCaughy.

HERE'N A THINGS

I DON'T WANT

When a pair of red lips are upturned to the sun. With no one to gossip about it, Do you pray for endurance to let them alone?

Well, maybe you do — but I doubt it.

When a shy little hand you're permitted to seize, With a wonderful sweetness about it, Do you think you can drop it with a smile? —

Well, maybe you do — but I doubt it.

When a tapper's tail is in reach of your arm, With a wonderful plushness about it, Do you think you can take it in the right and the wrong?

Well, maybe you do — but I doubt it.

And if by these tricks you should capture a heart, With a womanly softness about it, Will you keep it and guard it and act upon it?

Well, maybe you will — but I doubt it.

—Anonymous.

Mr. Eightsell reports a party held recently. "The Favorite's Spaghetti" which he attended as guest of honor. (We imagine a great time was had by all).

SCOTT

Have you heard of the scotch family, all of whose members wear the others clothes to save their own?

Mr. Smith lecturing to a class of boxers.

"You in the back-Jean Owen: (Passe door singing) "How dry I am!"

IF SUMMER comes

With welcome speed the days flirt past
Through autumn, winter, spring —
We heave one long and thankful sigh
To think that as the days go by—
T'll soon be summer.

Our eares are many, our joys are too
But we must bravely struggle through
With but a fleeting dream of things
That summer never fails to bring —
Oh happy summer! We sometimes think we're overworked
And have a tendency to shirk,
So here's a warning — oh so true.
Seware spring fever, it's after you so
And let it humbug you.

Some there are who tread the campus base,
Lovers in blissful happiness,
Who wish that spring would not give way.

To summer and their parted day
But me for summer.

How many of us who wish
Who leave our loves behind—for this
If spring must come before to find
T's worthy of a rest of mind,
Leave not behind the summer,
Winona Brohr.

Little Boy (at school): The people of New York are rich for their stupidity.

Teacher: Where did you get that information?

Boy: From the book, miss. It says the population of New York is very dense.

Said Smith to Jones: "I had a cousin who was a wonderful artist. He painted a winter scene that one day a cow came along and froze to death looking at it."

"That's all right," said Jones, "but my brother painted a picture of father, so now they have to shave him three times a week."
Irish Revelry Goes
Over With A Bang

Last Saturday evening the Irish had their annual evening of revelry. Rural Life Club has scored another success through its Saint Patrick’s dance.

The party took place in the gymnasium of their home school. The dancing began at eight o’clock and continued until half past eleven. Ray Jella’s orchestra furnished the music.

The gymnasium was decorated in true Irish fashion. A ceiling of white streamers was suspended. From it hung green shamrocks. About the sides of the room were festoons of green and white.

Pearl Merrill
Ill At Hospital

Students of C. S. T. C. were shocked to hear of the sudden illness of Pearl Merrill a Freshman enrolled in the Primary course. Miss Merrill is gaining slowly after a critical appendicitis operation at St. Michael’s Hospital. The student body extends its best wishes for a speedy recovery.

Pledges Of Ashmun Club Offer Stories

Mr. Lindesmith was the sponsor of the March meeting of the Margaret Ashmun Club. At this meeting, the three pledges read their stories. These stories were written as part of their initiation into the organization. Burton Hotvedt read his story of a frightened young man who is a steeplechase moment proposed to the girl of his heart. The story started hopefully but ended unhappily for the hero lost his courage and disappeared from town. Cecil Vig wrote a humorous story — “A Brilliant Idea”, in which he told the adventures of a redheaded youth whose ideas revealed his hair to brilliance. Mrs. Elizabeth Clapp’s story was the heart-gripping tale of a desolate woman whose heart was saddened by fear.

A review of a recent book was given by Mr. Lindesmith. The book reviewed was “Middle-Aged” in which interesting statistics about the average Americans towns were given. It aroused in its reader a certain skepticism as to the degree of truth in the Americans. Mr. Lindesmith gave the main points of the book and presented some of the most outstanding characteristics. The Margaret Ashmun Club plans to sponsor a puppet show which will be given very soon.

Beautiful Flowers
Given In Memoriam

Students have no doubt noticed the basket of flowers which stood in front of the library below the memorial tablet. They were placed there in memory of Rex Charles Beckler by his mother. Mrs. Beckler places a similar basket on the thirty-first of each month on the seventeenth of March, the birthday of her son.

Rex Beckler had just begun his junior year of the high school course when his death school to go overseas. He died in service at age thirty-three on October 29, 1918.

The two sisters of the young man, Pearl and Bessee Beckler, also attended Central State. Their home is in Granton, Wisconsin.
Library Receives A New Order Of Books
Among the many interesting books recently received by the library are those from the Yale University Press Association. These are of special value and interest.


Loyola Club To Give Play — "Cabbages"

The Loyola Club is sponsoring a play to be presented Monday evening, March 22.

"Cabbages" is a rollicking one-act play. It will be given before the Catholic Women's Club and perhaps will be also presented in the college auditorium. It is a play calculated to split one's sides with laughter. The German Farmer's bewilderment as how cabbage can become a rose overnight is amusing.

The cast includes:
Mrs. Wilhelmina Grossmeier ...........
Mrs. Charles grapes ..........
Mrs. Grus, her husband ......... Emery Fritch Tilly, their daughter Murilla Roberts Elizabeth, a maid .. Hettie Wilson Mrs. Lena Fischer, an old friend ....
Mrs. Elvira Buhl .... Mrs. John's reporter Edward Joosten Mr. Markle, from Chicago ........ Karl Kitowski

Dick Marshall Does Substitute Teaching

Richard Marshall has returned from Lake Ridge where he did substitute teaching for the past week in the high school there.

Evidently, Mr. Marshall's efforts were highly successful for he has brought back glowing accounts of the advantages of the teaching profession.

IRIS NOTICE
There remain only two weeks in which to hand in snapshots to the "Iris". Yours are wanted. Get your camera and take some good snappy ones.

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EXCHANGES
The De Maly formal will be given on March 22 at The Stout Institute. This is the biggest affair of the year and the plans are now complete.

Marquette — Marquette university has entered the 1930 National Inter-collegiate Oratorical contest with 159 other colleges and universities, on the United States constitution.

Eau Claire — The play "Captain Applejack" has been selected for the semi-finals and was presented April 10 and 11.

Carroll — "It's a World's Fair" will be given Saturday night, March 22. It promises to be a lively all college party.

Ripon — Everything is in readiness for the departure of the Ripon College Glee club for the annual spring tour which will be held between Mar. 19 and the annual home concert on April 8.

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