Bonita Newby Will Be Editor Of Extensive Sigma Tau Delta Project: Many Students Expected To Bend Efforts Toward Literary Field

This is a last call to all who cherish a secret "yen" to write — and who doesn't? Your contributions to the Literary Pointer are due two days after Christmas vacation, Jan. 8. They may be essays, short stories, poems, book reviews, sketches, etc., and must be limited to 1,000 words in length. In order to judge your work, you are asked not to put your name on your contribution. Write your name on a slip of paper and put it in an envelope. Write the name of your brain-child on the envelope and hand it in attached to the aforementioned brain child.

Contribute Freely

Contributions may be handed in to members of Sigma Tau Delta, to Mr. Burroughs, or at the Point­ er Office. Let's make the Literary Edition as indicative of the mental caliber of this school, as the Championship Edition was of the physical prowess.

Musical Program

This Evening

Tonight, at 8:00, various musical organizations of the school will unite their efforts in the presentation of a Christmas program. The symphony orchestra will furnish the accompaniments. The other groups which will appear are the Men's Chorus and the Women's Glee Club.

Harlequin Plays

A Great Success

The Harlequin Club plays, "Neighbors", and "The Christmas Carol", which were presented on last Tuesday evening in the auditorium, were very well received. The capacity audience agreed that it had a most enjoyable evening. Of special interest to most people were the good character parts that were in both plays. Everyone was charmed with the beautiful color displays of "The Christmas Carol".

Annual Senior Ball

Was Well Received

"See you in thirty days — if they let me out" might have been the greeting at the Senior Ball last Friday, Dec. 14, for with convicts serving the punch, armed guards parroting the "walls", and a gallows and electric chair contributing to the cheerfulness of the scene, we almost wonder whether we could leave without filling our way out. The much heralded scheme of decoration for the Ball was at last revealed in the prison scene, a very clever and unique idea.

In the reception line were Will­ fred Grebner, senior class president, and his queen, Miss Florence Glennon, Dean and Mrs. H. R. Steiner, Miss Sue Colman, Leo Plattley, general chairman, and his lady, Miss Evelyn Peterson. Tommy Temple provided music that made us want to live in jail permanently — if he would be.

We Have Been Challenged!

Grabbing one hundred dollars out of the clear sky may sound like a fairy-tale, but indications are that the REWARD for information leading to the arrest of the thief (or thieves) who ransacked the coach’s office during the recent alumni-varsity game will pass the century mark before this week's issue comes off the press.

To again make this school a place where honesty is respected, the Pointer is sponsoring a "combat-the-crime" campaign. The Athletic Board set up a reward of $25.00 for information leading to the apprehension of the actual criminal; President Hyer, acting for the school, added twenty-five dollars more to increase the reward total; the Pointer contributed a third twenty-five to bring the total to $75.00; indicia are that the social organizations, through the Greek Council, will bring the amount to one hundred dollars.

The entire nation appears to be staging a campaign against the criminal, and our efforts parallel those of the country. Action — action to eliminate thieves from our midst; action — action to replace honesty on its deserving pedestal; action — is the word of the hour.

We solicit your support in eradicating this petty thievery which lowers the morale of the student body and the standards of the school. We plead that you cooperate with us in exterminating this pest and we are sure your efforts will be appreciated. We hope that you will win the reward. Thank you.

FRANK KLEMENT, Editor.

Christmas Recess

Almost Here

Friday afternoon students will leave for home to make ready for Old Saint Nick’s impending visit. The grey bearded old codger with the tremulous voice will slip into an equatorial bulge — offers a welcome interlude from our strenuous search for knowledge. What generous sentiments are expressed at Christmas time with its exchange of elegant multi-colored neckties; jaw breaking rock candy, and those genuine Havana filled cigars — Congress ought to raise a protective tariff to safeguard us from those things. The Pointer Staff unites in wishing the members of the administration, faculty, and student body a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and hopes to see everyone Tues. Jan. 8.

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Famous Characters

Of Other Days To Make Appearance In Unusual Gigantic Revue Which Will Bring To Stage An Enormous Cost

Arrangements to stage the “Gay Nineties Revue” in the college auditorium on February 18th and 19th were made Saturday by the college Athletic Association.

The show will be a musical revue, highlighted with the song hits of the 90's, and will be presented here by the Athletic Association, it was announced by Mr. Schmeckel, a former student, will stage and direct the production.

Famous Characters

Mae West, Stevey Brodie, the Florodora Girl, the Gibson Girl, Bath-House Bertie, and the Man on the Flying Staff will be among the characters of the rollicking revue.

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**THE POINTER STAFF WISHES YOU ALL**

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

and a

**HAPPY NEW YEAR**

EDITOR'S DOTS AND DASHES

The prevalence of the traditional Christmas spirit depends almost entirely upon one's environment. The decorated Christmas trees in the halls of our buildings instill that seasonal air.

Thank you, Mr. Michelsen and all others concerned, for giving of your time and thought for the welfare of others. Acts like that are appreciated more than you'll ever know. In behalf of the students and faculty, we thank you.

Elsewhere in this issue is an editorial which tells of our efforts to cooperate with you, students of Central State, in expatiating this prevalent petty thievery. United action on the part of all the students is required if our campaign will be successful — take precautions that are sensible; it's as wrong to tempt as to take.

Those who wish to be contributors to the Literary Edition scheduled for January 25th should start thinking and planning their poems and prose now. Write your stories or poems during the Christmas holidays, and give them to designated persons on your return from the needed vacation.

Men's Chorus Goes To Hear "Messiah"

On last Sunday afternoon, Mr. Knutzen and a group of men from the Men's Chorus chartered the school bus and traveled to Appleton and the Lawrence Memorial Chapel where they heard a rendition of Handel's oratorio, "The Messiah", presented by the School Cantorum of Lawrence College under the direction of Carl Waterman. The Cantorum was composed of 275 voices. Despite the poor condition of the roads and the rain on the home trip, the fellows agreed that "a good time was had by all".

College Painters Prepare Exhibit

The Angels and the Shepherds, The Three Kings, The Stable at Bethlehem, The Madonna, and other similar Christmas scenes are only a few of the beautiful pictures and posters that are now on display in the art rooms. Merry Christmas, Noel, and Christmas Greetings stand on all sides. Anyone who has seen this exhibit must necessarily admit that we certainly have some painters in school.

In addition, many pattern designs are shown. These, especially, reflect the careful work that was necessary for their completion.

With thieves on the rampage about this campus, the campus has been robbed for several days. Musical instruments also have been stolen.

It seems that these thieves believe in variety. Petty thievery cannot be overcome in a crowded situation such as we have here. However, it is deemed wise that all students keep their possessions in safe places.

President Hyer desires the cooperation of all students in apprehending the kleptomaniacs who are perpetrating these robberies. It is assured that their punishments will be fitting to the crimes.

**NELSON HALL**

Mr. Arnold Malpouquis, a former student, visited Miss Tillson the last weekend.

Miss Gilbert has recovered from an attack of flu.

Mr. John Reedal of Philips Wisconsin, visited his sister Jane on Saturday.

We invite everyone to come and see our Christmas tree.

Last Friday it was "Little Women" you've had a busy Night.

Many of the Nelson Hall girls were guarded over to the Senior Ball jail and served their sentence joyfully.

The Y.W.C.A. will entertain the girls of Nelson Hall at a Christmas party on Wednesday evening. Preceding the refreshments, the girls will go carolling.

**Christmas Party At Training School**

The last social event on the calendar before school "shuts up shop" for vacation is the Christmas party in the T. S. Assembly from 2 to 3 on Friday, Dec. 21. Two plays will be presented; "Christmas Guest" by the ninth grade, and "The Elves and the Shoemaker" by the seventh and eighth grades. There will be special music throughout the program, music by the Jr. H. S. Orchestra, a cornet solo by Guy Roberts, piano solo by Lois Lynne, and trombone duet by Morris Skinner and Paul Lynne. Also, we've heard that Santa Claus will be "among those present".

Staff Gets Iris Work Under Way

The Iris Staff is rapidly getting their work organized and rounded into shape. Bob McDonald has taken many campus scenes and senior pictures will soon follow. The Book will be arranged differently; the outstanding change being the new position of the athletic section. Robert Emery, editor, will visit Chicago during the vacation to consult the firms who do the work on the Iris.

An Automobile Show has been arranged by Business Manager Wilson Schwan for Jan. 19-20 at the Armory. The latest thing in cars will be displayed and a Gala party will be run in conjunction with it. The various Car Dealers are enthusiastically supporting the plan.

**Ruralites Honor Neale On Birthday**

The Rural Life Club enjoyed a Christmas program in conjunction with the birthday party of Prof. O. W. Neale at a meeting Dec. 17. In addition to the program Prof. Neale was presented an appropriate gift by the department. Refreshments in the form of a huge birthday cake were served.

The program, which carried out the Christmas theme was presented by the following — Minerva Busse, Ione Rasmussen, Evelyn Borts, and Prof. N. E. Knutzen. Community singing was led by Harold Davel.

This is the first time in twenty years that the Rural Life Club's meeting paralleled Mr. Neale's birthday. Happy Birthday to you!
To Visit Journal Office
Tuesday, January 8, the Margaret Ashman Club will visit the Stevens Point Journal Office. This will be followed up with several journeys to business places in the future. Mr. Weldon Leahy will act as guide and will also lecture to the group at this meeting. Miss Margaret Turkish is in charge of arrangements.

Y. W. C. A. Christmas Party
Wednesday evening, the Y. W. C. A. held its annual Christmas party at Nelson Hall. Before the party, the girls caroled before the homes of the professors, after which they repaired to the recreation room for hot chili. In the reception room, gifts were exchanged. Games formed the diversions of the evening.

Phi Sig Banquet
This evening at seven o'clock, the Phi Sig fraternity will be hosts at a Christmas banquet served at the fraternity house in honor of their five new members.

Christmas Supper
The Omega Mu Chi sorority will have a Christmas supper tonight at 5:30 at Nelson Hall. Games, Christmas carols and an interchange of gifts will take place after the supper. The Omegas of the dorm are planning the party.

Candy Sale
If you want to taste genuine home-made-candy — that nutty, fruity kind that melts in your mouth, nail one of the candy vendors in the halls this morning. You find every variety, color, shape and such sizes! Sponsored by the Tau Gamma Beta sorority.

Ping Pong
A ping pong tourney will be held during February so start your practice at home during the vacation.

Awards
Plans are in the air for new awards to be given, for a sum of points beyond the nine hundred given for a gold star. There will be a display of the possible award, sweaters and jackets, down in the game room. Inspect them and make your choice.

Minor Sports
Popular forms of exercise these days are skating, skiing, hiking, and tobogganing. Record your hours on blanks posted on the bulletin board in the Game Room. Two points toward a letter are given for each hour of minor sports.

Dancing
In 1935 on Wednesday nights after school the classes in tap and interpretive dancing will be held. Keep this night free for investment in fun and grace.

Sleigh Ride
Bring back from home your warm duds for our New Year's sleigh ride party. Latest news will be posted on the WAA bulletin board.
And now comes that delightful period when we are starting afresh, giving up the championship before the season opens. ’ “You’re Coming To Be A Habit With Me” seems to be the most logical theme song for Milwaukee guessers when they think of sport titles and Coach Kotal; just this fall our Cream City journalists picked Stevens Point as prospective champs in the annual gridiron classic; and here are they again, at the outset of the season, throwing posies in front of Kotal’s cage hopefuls. Let’s hope our boys don’t trip over them in their path — appropriate on January twelfth. Sunday’s papers carried the story of basketball prospects around the conference, and one of these news-organizers after a few cabalistic incantations and some journalistic mumbo-jumbo, proceeded to pronounce the Eastern Iowa colleges as this season’s champions although the article did not state whether the palm-reading, tea leaf method, a common deck of cards, or a five cent cigar were the motivating influences productive of this illuminating information. If we are to believe emanations from our brethren in the east, basketball is a game that basket ball material has simply gone to pot in other schools, and that there will be a mad scramble for possession of the lowest standing from the percentage standpoint — for all of their collective hopes seem to be dashed by graduations, etc., so that this year, we are told, “things are not what they seem” — and that our conference brethren in their respective schools have made more daring prophecies at the close of the current season — all of which simply means that you can believe “nothing that you hear and only half of what you see” — in print — about basketball these days.

Neale Officiates Prep Basketball Games

Bob Neale, a sort of combined McNamee and Charlie Moran rolled into one, has been busy officiating these days. Several assignments during the past week included games in which teams coached by “Scotty” McDonald, an alumnus of this college, participated. In one of these Medford, usually a strong contender, was defeated in an overtime game by Scotty’s team — Abbottsford High School.

A silver dollar isn’t very heavy but some men find it difficult to raise.

Just an “Echo”, BOO —

The Pointer is a weekly student publication of the Milwaukee State Teachers College. We are again reprinting it:

“Elsewhere on this page is the all-southern team as chosen by sports editors of loop colleges. Collectively it is a fair selection. The laughter on the part of the Pointer scriber at ten Point men appeared thereon. Championships have apparently gone to the head of Central State.

The Point scriber fails to consider the close scores by which the Pointers won. At Milwaukee 2-0, with Oshkosh, 6-0. Such scores do not indicate great superiority. The secret of their success was revealed at Whitewater where, with Becker out of the game, they eked out a two point victory. Moreover, when the nighted scribbler considers Milwaukee’s scoreless tie with Lawrence, now conceded unofficial state college title holder, he can find little reason for naming five Point men in the all-conference line.”

—Milwaukee Echo.

There Are Some Things That Can Be Excused

With the approach of Christmas we happen to be in a charitable mood, and, knowing full well the mental aberrations that columnists naturally fall heir to (they being somewhat in the same class as left-handed pitchees, baseball players, etc.) we herewith approach the subject of this football (which probably ought to be dead and buried by now, anyway) with all veneration and respect due a great, big school like Milwaukee, with due regard for the “benighted” condition of our official foot ball staff, etc. etc. We take up the endguts in our own behalf:

1. To quote the article: “Chairman have apparently gone to the head” — etc. etc. — and here we were thinking all the while that this was where championships ought to go — to the head — otherwise Platteville would have obtained the honor.

2. The Oshkosh and Milwaukee games were 7-0 and 7-0 not “6-0 and 6-0”.

3. This conference has not yet decided upon a method of adding up the scoring totals at the end of the season to determine champions.

4. The origin of the sports the rule followed has been to tend your knitting in each game, seeing to it that you had more on your side of the ledger at the close of each game than the other fellow had. We believe in this policy.

Points Four and Five Follow

4. Stevens Point, in first place, chose eleven Pointers for positions on all three of their honorary selections; (Oshkosh, Platteville and Whitewater can verify this by a glance of their lists); Milwaukee, in second place, chose twelve Milwaukee men for honorary positions on all three all-star teams (another glance at the list will show this), or one more man than Point chose as occupants of first place.

5. Now, Mr. McGrath, which one of us looks the most ridiculous?

Watch Watts This Year

La Crosse State Teachers met and defeated Carroll college in a non-conference warm-up. Among these teams, their high scorer last year, and a mighty fine floor man, if we remember correctly, several of the football men are also members of the first string.

Superior Seems Strong

The Superior Teachers College quarter will take on North Dakota and the University of Minnesota as a part of their practice games in the near future.

Whitewater Looms Strong

The Whitewater State Teachers basketball met the House of David team at Whitewater last Wednesday. In the Whitewater line-up was Farina, former cage sensation at Beloit High and team-mate of Johnny Watts, now at La Crosse.

Platteville Led By Rheil

Seventeen men constitute the Platteville basketball first string. Among these men, their high scorer last year, and a mighty fine floor man, if we remember correctly, several of the football men are also members of the first string.

School Grunters

Headline Card

Sport fans of the school and city are in for a rare treat when Charles (Chuck) Sparhawk, Russ Beppler, Charles McDonald, Eddie Olson, and Ben (Moose-nose) Slotwinski will be featured in wrestling matches at the Cosmo (Moosie) Hall on the southside at eight o’clock tonight.

Chuck (rough-house) Sparhawk and Beppler (the mighty mite) will endeavor to overthrow several other out of town grapplers, Charles, alias Ma, alias Mac, etc. etc. McDonald will strive to mail and tear his old buddy, Eddie Olson, and vice versa. Ben (Moose-nose) Slotwinski will meet the Pride of Junction City.

All of the college contingent have been members of the championship football team during the past two seasons.
MUSICAL REVUE PLANNED
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Comical Comedies
A short sketch, entitled, "Steve Brodie Jumps, or, How Mae West plays (Brooklyn) Bridge", will be presented in the first act. In this sketch Mae West, Steve Brodie, Chuck Connors and other famous old Bowery characters will appear. Modern characters, such as O. O. McIntyre, Walter (Keyhole) Wrenchell, and Max (Feel my muscle) Baer, will be projected back into the 90's to take part in this bit.

"The Shooting of Dan McGrew" or the famous old melodrama, "The Drunkard!", will be presented in burlesque form in the second act. There will be a cast of about 70 in the entire show.

John The Janitor
Going To Hospital

While some of us are romping in the out-of-doors making merry and enjoying our vacation, we can occasionally think of those dear to the hearts of the student body who will not enjoy the happy Christmas we hope to partake of.

John Urbanowski, popularly known as John the Janitor, will spend his vacation at the Wisconsin General Hospital at Madison. He is leaving the twentieth of this month fog the Capitol City — we hope his stay there is short, and we hope he'll be back with us after the holidays.

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**Debaters Begin Work Again**

The debate teams, having enjoyed a rest of a week after the La Crosse tournament, are now hard at work again in preparation for the state contest at Eau Claire, February second. Although there are no contests until the Eau Claire tournament, that contest will determine the state champions in debate, for both men’s and girl’s teams. Following the tournament a heavy schedule of practice debates is booked in anticipation of the Mid-West tournament at St. Thomas, Minnesota, February 29 and March 1.

The debate squad at the present time is composed of: Arba Shorey, Ralph Okray, Floyd Cummings, Jack Ogg, Charles Cather, and Donald Hickok, Gladys Bourier, Virginia Watson, Jane Reidal, and Helene Waterman.

**Teachers Will Spend Christmas In Florida**

Students and faculty members alike have been envying Mr. Allez and Mr. Thompson since it was learned that the two teachers will spend the Christmas recess vacationing in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Allez, and Mr. and Mrs. Thompson and son Kenneth will make the trip. The proposed route will carry them down the Eastern coast to places of interest in Florida. They expect to be gone the full two weeks of vacation.

**Here and There**

a columnist’s column

This week we’re like Shakespeare. The only originality we can claim is the revision and adaptation. There are a lot of wise cracks floating around this school if you’re listening for them.

Mag Wolf swears up and down the thing that keeps her on her toes is keeping a man under her thumb.

Don Hickok says that as he studies the debate problem it becomes more and more evident that most of the nations seem willing to fight for world peace.

You don’t have to be an engineer to start a girl off on the wrong track. (Anonymous)

We aren’t mentioning any names but there’s a certain musician in the band is said to have blown his nose and wiped his Piccolo.

A good aim in life doesn’t mean much to the man who has nothing to shoot with.

Bob Emery says a gold digger hates poverty worse than sin.

Take it from one who knows girls — its easier to work the boss than to boss the works. (Further information see Bob Neale)

A few short answers can start a long argument.

Judge: “I shall have to incarcerate you”.

She: “What if I don’t want to”?

The chief value of an education is the power it gives to move upward against the forces that carry the ignorant down.

A young minister got a bit tangled in his first sermon and here’s the result, “While in this pastorate I shall heal the dead, cast out the sick, and raise the devil.”

Then there was the clergyman who hurriedly put on the old pair of trousers that had been hanging in the wood shed. A few waps made their home in the pants and he quickly concluded that he might have the Lord in his heart all right but he had the devil in those trousers.

Training is the bridge that connects the dream with the reality.

Here’s a contribution that we use verbatim.

I’m thankful that the sun and moon are both hung up so high. That no pretentious hand can stretch and pull them from the sky; but if they weren’t I’d have no doubt

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Rival Oshkosh Five Trim All-Stars

Art Thompson, a former basketball star here, along with Johnny Paul, University of Wisconsin captain of bygone days, Speed Murphy, one-time All-American luminary at Loyola, and several other stars took on the Oshkosh State Teachers College quintet last week. The teachers won 31-30, forecasting some interesting competition from the Winnebagans in our conference.

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That some reforming lass would recommend we take them down. And light the world with gas.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Here’s hoping we see you in good condition after the holidays.

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