Music Department All Hustle, Bustle In Preparation for Singing Concerts

With much tooting of the flutes and singing of merry voices, the music department is preparing to perform.

The college band is preparing for its annual spring concert on Saturday afternoon, March 11, at 3 o'clock, in the gymnasium, and the chorus will be under the direction of the director of the music department. The concert is by ticket only, and all students, faculty, and alumni will be guest conductors that day, directing their own original compositions. The program will include many popular songs, and the band members will be under the direction of the music department, headed by John T. Taylor, Jr., second tenor, Milford Lee, baritone and William Edmonson, bass. Spencer Odem is the accompanist.

### Trend in Favor of ROTC Unit Shown by Student Opinion Poll

169 Strongly Favor Permanent Unit

The results of the poll conducted last Friday morning to determine the attitude of the student body on the ROTC (Reserve Officers' Training Corps) unit here at Stevens Point are with the ROTC, and President William C. Hansen explained some of the details of the program.

The ROTC unit would be open only to freshmen and sophomores, and would be on a strictly voluntary basis. After completion of the two basic courses in ROTC, all members would be allowed to continue in the advanced unit. Only those who met the required standards could continue. Those selected for the advanced ROTC group would receive pay from the Air Corps. The three credits per semester earned by ROTC members would be included in the 132 credits required for graduation.

1. Over 100 schools have made application for AFROTC units, but only 20 will be selected. CSTC has a good chance of being one of the schools that would get the unit because of the fact that an Air Corps cadre training unit was stationed here in 1940.

2. The results of the CSTC poll were as follows: 169 strongly favoring having the unit come back to Stevens Point, 156 favored, 38 were opposed, and 62 were undecided. The opposite question, on an having the ROTC program go away, showed similar results. 145 strongly favor, 139 favored opposed and 62 were undecided.

Official announcement on the ROTC program is not due until sometime in April.

### Junior High Forensics Finishes Last Friday

The local finals of the junior high school declamation contest were held last Friday at the Memorial Hall. Berdford Junior High with Stephen Jones, Nancy Newby and Marion Freedman placed first, with H. W. Bunk and Linda Sarkatch, Loren Wooper and Dorothy Shulze in the second division.

These people, along with their college coaches and Mrs. Edith Cut- naw, their director, will compete in the intermediate round of the state forensic contest to be held at Antigo in May.

Miss Pauline Isacson and Leland M. Buggage took the "We automobile" served as judges for the contest.

The college student who served as coaches to the students were Catherine Koons, Susanne Swank, Lanada Geren, Dorothy Rehbeck, Phyllis Jarnick, Eleanor Curtis, Winnifred Pierre, Dick Miller, Peter Thomas, Dorothy Brown, and Karl Sand. Homey Wright, Leon Jackson, and Chester Parkinson, Mary Sears, Joe Bütcher, Virginia Ginger, Ethel Far- mann, Ross Page, Ronald Jarvis and Warren Hamele.

### Contributions Now Being Accepted for Worth Words

Have you any stories, poems, and such pieces which you have written dur- ing these long winter months? Or have you evidence of any other type of or- ganization or certain hangovers to do some creative writing of your own? Here is an opportunity for you to have your works published.

The Delta, National honorary English society, is in the midst of preparation of a special publication of Central State's English department and would be glad to consider any contributions. These contributions may be anonymous or not, and will be published within the "Worth Words," box in the Pointer office.
From Waupaca, the heart of the chain-of-lakes district, has come one of CMC's attractive women students, blonde, green-eyed Virginia Goerner, known to almost everyone as Ginny. Ginny's a pert and pretty senior in English, specializing in English and minor in speech and biology. She is planning to graduate with a degree in speech, to teach speech which she claims is her life's ambition, before going into travel, for she is pinned to Jack Whitt, who is majoring in history and who now teaches music in Woodruff. Jack is also the promoter of her favorite hobby, knitting, for his one great ambition is to have a drawer stacked with hand knitted socks. In fact, he also occupied a great deal of her time. She portrayed Henrietta in the musical, "On the Avenue," and had roles in "Life With Father" and "Our Town." For "Twelfth Night," she is helping with the scenery.

Virginia also has a sister, Mary Ellen, who graduated from CMC in '49. Their friends include Virginia Marcy, for Mary is 3½ and has flaming red hair. In ex- tricates, Virginia always told everyone that her mother was suffering a long illness — she shrunk and her sister's hair rusted.


Letters to the Editor, Editor: The Pointer, should parties be formed on this campus to make student council representatives responsible for the programs they initiate? Can our student council better re- winkle and be far more the majority of State's students if its representatives are committed to positive programs at election time? Will student government be more effective once the organizations of political parties? These are questions a group of students are analyzing over cups of coffee and cigarettes. Are anyone on campus interested in more effective student government is wel- come to have been reached as follows:

1. That the students have an active interest in student government and would like to see it be done at Central State.

2. That interested students acquaint themselves with the National Student Association, with student representatives are teaching in the Central State colleges in order to pursue more student and educational organizational goals here at Central State.

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6. That political interest is of vital importance to democratic society and to citizens in a dem- ocracy.

7. That interested students are interested in your own welfare, that of your college, and that of your United States you will be interested in joining these discussions.

Just a nickel cup of cof- fee can get you started.

Jim Hyer

Dear Sir:

In regard to Mr. Hyer's letter in last week's Pointer, I cannot hear him out in one of his statements. It said, "Mr. Jacobson neither origin- ally proposed NSA, nor did he intro- duce the all-important motion that we apply for admission." The fact is this, as quoted from the Student Council meeting minutes:

"December 3, 1947:

"Richard Miller and Louis Jac- obson appointed as representatives to NSA."

"December 10, 1947:

"Louis Jacobson reported on Student Problems Committee. It is plan- ned to have . . . .

"The dues for CTSO to become a member will be $2.00."

"S70. District and foreign news is to be sent to members."

"At the meeting, the students passed on the motion to join the National Student Association, and will receive the "Iris.""

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Local Cagers Place To Upset Quakers
On Whitewater's Floor Next Week

Coach Hal Quintard's upstart-minded group threatens its third straight championship title with a playoff meeting with the University of Herbst and Whitewater. The last time the teams met, it was the university that ran the table on the Pointers. It is well that the Pointers have a new coach, Bob Weitz, and that it is a championship contender after the last two season's poor show up by Eau Claire and River Falls.ounding out the Quaker starting five will be Erickson, Rieth and Tommesewski.

In the previous encounter earlier this season against Whitewater, the Pointers kept pace until the sharp-shooting of Dick Noonan in the second half led the Quakers to victory. Since that loss however, the CSTL quintet has improved greatly. Against league opposition, so an upset is highly probable.

Artists Theme Carried
Out at Omeg Rushing
Omega Mu Chi Sorority held its rushing party at the home of Mrs. A. W. Sweeney, Sunday evening.

An artist's theme was carried out throughout the evening. Various colored painters' hats and pails with their names were given to the artists as they entered the Omega Art Gallery. Yellow daffodils were presented to them. The table centerpiece consisted of sweet peas and paint brushes which were arranged in an artist's pail. Coffee and whipped cream strawberry shortcake was served.

The entertainment also carried out the artists' theme. The Omega orchestra, dressed in painters' smocks and tams and tassels, sang for the group. Mrs. Duren, owner of the Duren Paint Company, was also present. A number of omelet salads were also served.

Pointers Will Attempt to Match
Previous Victory Over Platteville

The Pointers take to the road Thursday, March 6, in an effort to better their conference record against Platteville's Pointers. In their previous meeting, the Pointers cagers disposed of the Pointers 66 to 56 on the strength of a phenomenal free throw average.

Coach John Barth will rely heavily on center Loren Rheinbeck, 6'2" who also had 19 points. Guard Ron Van Fleet, to carry the battle to the Pointers. These two men have been the only heavy scorers at the free throw line.

The effectiveness of the "P" and "G" attack will depend upon the efforts of high scoring "Hoosier" Wagner, who came out of the Eau Claire tussle with a badly sprained ankle. If the big center's ankle responds to treatment, then the Pointers should enter the game in the full of the favorite. However, whatever advantage they might have is considerably lessened by the fact that the Pointers are playing the Homer court.

No definite starting line-up has been announced by Coach Quandt, but seeing plenty of action will be the old Reliables. Wagner, (if his ankle responds), "Tex" Polzin, Walt Samuels, Don Schneiders and Chad Ofto. The latter slated for service are Ray Zewlinski, Ray Anderson and Jerry Roed.

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Inquiring Reporter Asks-
"Tests and Grades of Chicago U.?"

To change or not to change—
that is the question—was a floating around CSTC this week. Many students asked if the tests and grades of the "boy's and girl's" system have been changed. The answer the reporter's current question—are, "Do you prefer the traditional system of tests and grades or would you rather have a system similar to the University of Chicago's system in which the student is not confronted with frequent tests, but is given one test each month before finally taking one large comprehensive exam at the end of each course without ever receiving a grade?"

Discussing the coming of the University of Chicago's system, I would like to think that classes would be much more interesting in the future if the student were working at the rate you felt you should be working. I don't see how you would grade the student if he had really earned it.

Charles Robinson, "I think in favor of the U. of Chicago's plan class attendance but in my case I'd miss too many 10-15 class meetings." Isabelle Landowski, "No tests — no jumping nerves every six weeks. But no system — no stimulus to study."

Florence Payne, "I think all of us would do better without this war of nerves, but I see no system."

Charlotte Duckett, "I don't care for the 'Boy's and Girl's' system, too much pressure, but this is something to their system of teaching that really appeals to the students."

Joan Wysoki, "The U. of Chicago's plan is good for some courses, but not for all." Norman L. Krunen, "I think we need a different way of evaluating work in the classroom, as too frequently we pay too much emphasis on what a person does not know rather than on what he chooses to express what he does know!"

Bob Konopacky, "With the present system we are sure of but one thing in regard to our grades — they are sure."

Harriett Dwyer, "I don't think if tests and grades are reliable indications of what a student has learned, but they are perhaps the only practical method of determining which student has the best work and what grade he should be given under those circumstances."

Eleanor Curtis Discusses Coming WSGA Activities

Eleanor Curtis, WSGA president, discussed the coming WSGA activities for this semester at a meeting of all college women last Friday. She announced that WSGA is in charge of the Easter assembly on Tuesday, March 20, at 10 a.m., for which Dorothy Kuhne and Jane Powell are co-chairmen. These choices to work on planning are Doris Schultz, Mary Ann Panke and Joyce Zellinger.

The co-eds were informed that WSGA is in charge of the annual Easter assembly, at which all of the Catholic, Protestant and Jewish seniors from surrounding areas will be represented. The seniors from their home towns acting as hosts for the visiting students from Chicago, will also be held in honor of Mrs. Garrett following her talk, which should be interesting to hear.

Keely Leahy, Shirley Sonnenberg, and Mary Doulouse, three of the six girls who had attended the recent WSGA meeting, were each asked a short report about the meeting.

Eleanor Curtis also brought up the idea of having WSGA members pay some money in one of these three ways:

1. Setting up a scholarship for a freshman athlete
2. Donation of money for some improvement in the stadium
3. Supporting a child through a non-profit, non-political organization.

This will be voted on at the next meeting.

Norma Weber, "Doesn't matter.

Delores Plaine, "I don't think I would change it.

Norma Garrett, "I don't see any change on the University of Chicago, for if you are given one test which determines your grade, you really aren't. Everyone knows that nervousness is the cause of failure in some tests. Then, I don't think it would be right to change just because of this one condition."

Cerda Goulell, "I think I'd change the system. We worked at our own rates. However, the tests shouldn't be better than one large test and having a different schedule. Of course, we could sleep the first day of the other way.

Joan Summers, "I'm all for the windy city's easy way of breaking up the day. But, no system — no stimulus to study."

Mary Lund, "The University of Chicago has a good system. I prefer to have one really good lesson. I learned something through a course by a teacher. If a person is not willing to work and study, then that person shouldn't be attending college in the first place."